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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

THE POLITICIANS AND THE COMPULSION BILL

A MOVEMENT TO BRING IRELAND IN.

Pro-Ally Feeling Growing in Greece.

THE LANDING AT CORFU: THE ALLIES EXPLAIN.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph"]

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

GREAT AERIAL ACTIVITY.

January 13, 3.40 a.m.
A Rome communique states that the artillery duel has continued from Val Canonica to the sea.
There has been great aerial activity on both sides. Italian aviators bombed Gandola, north of Trent, and also the stations at Trent and Rovereto and the barracks at Volano.

GREECE AND THE ALLIES.

A CLOSER ENTENTE DESIRED.

January 13, 1.45 p.m.
Telegrams from Athens, sent via Messina to avoid the censorship, indicate that opinion is turbulent and is daily tending towards M. Venizelos and the Allies.
Disorders are reported from Volo, where stores were looted by hungry crowds, who complained that the whole of Greece lacks coal and flour, while the lights on the tram service in Athens are greatly reduced. The populace regard these and other hardships as proofs of the necessity of a more complete Entente with the Allies.

THE ALLIES EXPLAIN.

January 13, 2.00 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Athens, the Allied Ministers have presented a Note stating that the Allies have considered it their duty, strictly in the interests of humanity, to transport at the earliest moment the Serbian Army from Albania in order to save them from famine and destruction. Corfu alone presented the necessary facilities for the transport and re-arranging. The Entente thought that the Greeks would not oppose the transfer of its Serbian Allies, who will only make a brief stay. There is no question of occupation, and the guarantees given to that effect will be applied to Corfu equally with other portions of Greece that are being temporarily used by the Allies.

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

GERMAN ATTACK FAILS.

January 13, 1.30 a.m.
A Paris communique says:—The Germans attempted an attack with poison gas between Argonne and the Meuse, but the French curtains of fire prevented them from emerging from their trenches.
Artillery fire played havoc with the German positions on the heights of the Meuse and in the Vosges.

MILE END BYE-ELECTOIN.

THE CANDIDATES.

January 13, 12.35 p.m.
The candidates for the Mile End constituency are:—
Unionist, Mr. Warwick Brooke.
Independent, Mr. F. Billing, formerly of the Naval Air Service.
Mr. F. N. Charrington, mentioned in a telegram on the 10th inst. as a Patriotic Independent candidate in favour of the Compulsion Bill, has withdrawn.

THE BALKANS.

STRENGTH OF FRANCO-BRITISH FORCE.

January 13, 1.45 p.m.
The correspondent of the *Berliner Tageblatt* at Sofia says the Franco-British forces in the Balkans number a quarter of a million.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

THE COMPULSION BILL.

MINERS' FEDERATION MEETS.

January 13, 1.00 p.m.
The Miners' Federation has met in London to consider its attitude towards the Compulsion Bill. The proceedings were private.

THE OBJECTORS.

January 13, 12.35 p.m.
The minority voting on the Compulsion Bill consisted of:—
Radicals - 27
Labourites - 10
The Independent, Nationalist and Irish Unionist members of the House of Commons have decided to move an amendment in the Committee Stage making the Bill apply to Ireland.
A plebiscite taken by the Nottinghamshire Miners' Association shows a large majority in favour of the Bill.

A NEW ORGANISATION.

January 13, 12.35 p.m.
Prominent Liberal members of the House of Commons have formed an organisation whose object will be the prosecution of the war by the most vigorous means.

EARL KITCHENER.

AN AUDIENCE WITH THE KING.

January 13, 12.35 p.m.
Earl Kitchener last night had an hour's audience with His Majesty the King.

THE RUSSIANS.

(Havas Telegram.)

January 12.
A Petrograd message says:—The Germans have begun to evacuate Poniwieje. The Russian squadron in the Black Sea bombarded Varna.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

GERMAN WORKING PARTIES DISPERSED.

January 12, 4.45 p.m.
A Paris communique says that French batteries have dispersed German working parties in Argonne.

EXPLOSION OF GERMAN AMMUNITION STORES.

January 12, 6.20 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, a Berlin communique reports that yesterday an ammunition storehouse at Willemin, in the southern section of Lille, exploded, wrecking adjacent streets. Up to the present seventy dead and forty seriously wounded have been found among the debris. The communique attributes the explosion to a British attack, though it is not explained how it was delivered.

LILLE EXPLOSION DUE TO AIR RAID.

January 12, 10.00 p.m.
An Amsterdam telegram attributes the Lille explosion to a British air raid.

GENERAL HAIG'S REPORT.

January 13, 12.30 a.m.
General Haig reports:—Last night we raided hostile trenches east of Armentieres. A score of the enemy were disposed of and a machine gun emplacement was blown up. The party then returned, bringing in two prisoners. The artillery on both sides are active about Vermelles, Wicthje and Pilken.

ACTIVITY ON BOTH SIDES.

January 13, 1.20 a.m.
A Paris communique states that two aeroplanes dropped eight bombs on Dunkirk, inflicting insignificant damage. The artillery wrecked German trenches and works north of the Aisne and in Champagne. Germans blew up a mine on Hill 285 in Argonne, producing a vast crater, where fighting proceeded all day. The French strongly occupied the southern edge.

WAR TELEGRAMS

PERSIAN AFFAIRS.

WHERE ARE THE BAGDAD BRITISHERS?

January 12, 4.25 p.m.
Reuter learns that the British colony at Bagdad was deported from the city in the direction of Mosul at the end of November by the Turkish authorities. The American Ambassador at Constantinople has been asked to obtain some information about the party, consisting of nine ladies and children and two men.

THE COMPULSION BILL.

MINERS' OPPOSITION.

January 12, 4.50 p.m.
The South Wales miners, by 211 to 35, have voted against the Compulsion Bill.

IN THE HOUSE.

January 12, 7.40 p.m.
In the House of Commons, on the second reading of the Compulsion Bill, Mr. Asquith affirmed that the necessity of giving his pledge simply proved that the Bill would give the men who were urgently and indispensably required, and without whom Great Britain could not do her part in the war. It was not intended that membership of anti-conscription and kindred fellowships should constitute a claim for exemption from military service.

Mr. R. L. Outhwaite (L., Hanley) asked in the event of compulsion would a moratorium be introduced for conscripts' rent and other debts.

Mr. Tennant did not think a moratorium could be limited to such cases.
Mr. Ellis Griffith, Liberal member for Anglesey, attacked the opponents of the Compulsion Bill and said he had been told that he was acting against the traditions of his party. He cared nothing for the traditions of his party, but he cared for the interests of his country (loud cheers). Lord Kitchener had said that men were necessary to victory. Did his opponents not want victory? (cheers). Mr. Ellis Griffith emphasised that he could not understand the attitude of the Irish and Labour parties. They themselves both used measures of compulsion, namely, boycott and strikes, compelling men to join the unions, but when men were compelled to join the army it was treason (loud cheers).

Mr. John Dillon declared that Ireland desired to maintain adequate numbers for the army and was convinced that Ireland would have no cause to be ashamed of the part she had played in the war.
Sir J. Simon emphasised that the desire of the opponents of the Bill was to see the nation at its strongest and most united. They opposed the Bill because they did not believe that it conduced to this, but if it passed, he hoped that the opponents of the Bill would unite in seeing that it was effective.

Mr. Asquith fully agreed with Sir J. Simon's academic arguments on the evils of compulsion and the superiority of voluntarism, but Sir J. Simon lost sight of the actualities that we are at war, in which not only our existence but all of Sir J. Simon's ideals are at stake.

Mr. Asquith appealed to the House even now to pass the Bill without dissent, which was the most effective blow at this moment for the victory of our cause (loud cheers).

LABOURITE'S APPEAL.

Mr. A. Henderson, continuing, said that the Bill would encourage the Allies, as showing them that we were willing to break our great traditions and throw everything into the scale in order to secure victory. He repudiated the story of a compulsionist plot in the Cabinet, and mentioned that it was he who had suggested the re-opening of the Derby groups. The compulsionist Cabinet Ministers, readily assenting, saw in the Bill none of the insidious menace to industrial freedom of which so much had been heard. Labourites never hesitated to apply compulsion wherever the welfare of the state of a particular class of trade required it. Then why object to compulsion to save the nation? (cheers). He concluded by saying, "We must have men, and have them now, so as to be ready for the field in 1916."

Mr. W. M. E. Fringle (L., North-west Lancashire) announced that in view of Mr. Asquith's grave appeal he and his friends withdrew their opposition at this stage. Mr. P. Snowden (Sc., Blackburn), insisted on a division. The division was marked by scenes of uproarious enthusiasm.

Winding up the debate, Mr. Asquith said that he had given assurances in the name of the entire Cabinet, making it possible for him to remain in the Government, which was regarded at home and abroad as the symbol of the nation's unity. He had the authority of Lord Kitchener for stating that we required men immediately, not only at the front and in the rear, but men, not the whole available fraction, whether large or small, of the 651,000 with which the Bill dealt.

The Bill passed its second reading by 431 votes to 39.
The result of the division was greeted with uproarious enthusiasm and wild cheering. The minority included Messrs. Burns and J. Mr. D. Henderson.

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TELEGRAMS. NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

Earl Kitchener had an hour's audience with His Majesty the King.

There has been great aerial activity on both sides on the Italian front.

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The Allies have assured Greece that there is no question of the occupation of Corfu.

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In Tokyo, a man threw two bombs at the Japanese Premier's automobile, but the Premier was not injured.

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Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Monday, January 17.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. meeting; noon.

Saturday, January 22.

The Races.—Last day for entries.

Saturday, January 22.

Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.—

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Wednesday, January 26.

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Friday, January 23.

Bellisoe Public School.—Prize

distribution by Lady May, at noon.

Saturday, January 29.

Ellis Kadonja School.—Prize

distribution by Hon. Mr. C. Severn, at 11 a.m.

Monday, January 31.

Queen's College.—Prize distribution by H. E. the Governor, at noon.

City Hall.—Prize distribution by Mr. Deane, at 9.15 p.m.

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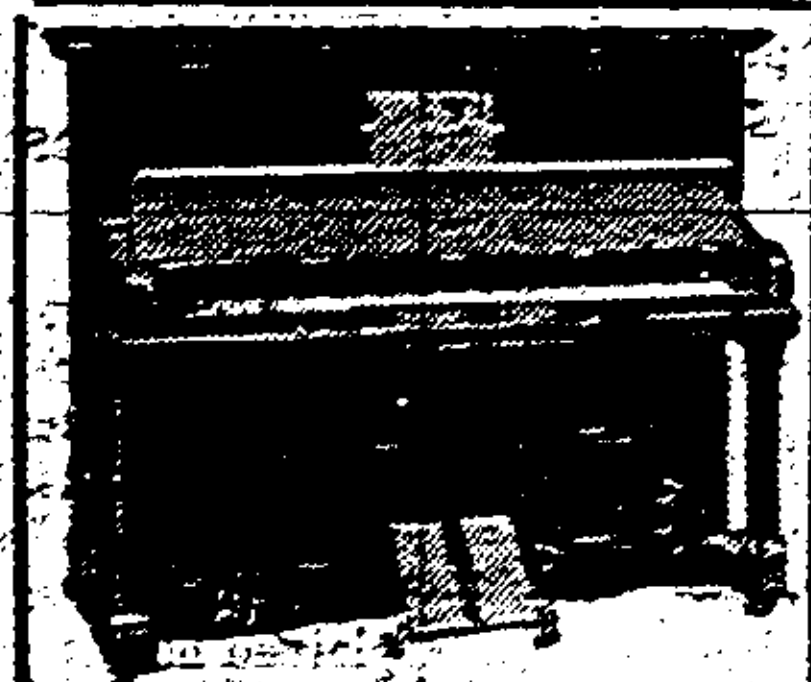
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OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

South China Morning Post.

Canada and the Orient.

Synchronising with the effort made over for the capture of German trade while the blockade of the enemy is being pursued, it is gratifying to find the leading representatives of trade in British Columbia meeting to discuss the possibilities that are now open for the increase of the steady stream of commerce between Canada and the Orient. The Council of the Board of the Trade in Victoria, B.C., met last month to review the situation and exchange ideas as to the possibilities of the future, and naturally a great deal of emphasis was laid on the question of the steamers available for the conveyance of the various classes of goods which find a ready market on this side of the Pacific.

Daily Press.

Trade After The War.

One of the lessons which the British people are learning from the war is the danger of unpreparedness, and, consequently, they are already considering means for conducting vigorously the commercial struggle that will follow when the sword shall have been sheathed. It is realised that the financial burdens which are now being piled up by the combatants will be a heavy incubus for many years to come, and that the only hope of easing those burdens will lie in keeping the mill-wheels of industry revolving as fast as possible. From Austria and Germany come reports that manufacturers and merchants are laying their plans for recapturing foreign markets as soon as hostilities are at an end, and we may rest assured that they will be able, even more than in the past, to count upon the systematic support of their Governments. A joint conference of the Central Union of German Manufacturers, who combined to form a War Committee of German Industry some time ago, has passed a resolution expressing the opinion that the numerous measures introduced by hostile countries for the systematic suppression and extinction of German competition after the war require systematically organised advancement of German exports as well as of German commercial interests throughout the world, in order to avert damage threatened by the war.

China Mail.

Trade Development.

The President of the Board of Trade is reported in a telegram we publish to-day to have informed the House of Commons that a good deal has been done in developing trade in which Germany formerly had a monopoly. So far as this is true it is satisfactory, of course, but judging from the complaints one still hears from time to time, much more might be done than is done in neutral countries by the Legation and Consular Staffs to assist the British merchant and manufacturer than is done at the present time. Undoubtedly British trade in China has suffered, and suffers still, from the lack of that assistance. How greatly German trade is helped in China by the Legation and Consular officials is well known, and German trade is not the only trade assisted in that way. Recently a representative of an important foreign combine intent on business development in China, arrived in the Capital with a small staff of experts.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Overseas for City "Specials."
London, Dec. 2.—The City Corporation has adopted a proposal for providing special constables with overcoats and boots.

New Stamps for China.

Philatelists will be interested to hear that a new issue of stamps is being prepared in China to commemorate the change in government.

Death of Kaiser's Former Skipper.
The death has occurred at Goshport of Mr. Robert Gomez, the successful racing yacht skipper, who for five years commanded the Kaiser's Meteor II.

Illustrated Policemen.
To minimise the danger of being run down by motor cars the Eastbourne policemen on point duty at night now wear red electric lights on their belts back and front.

F.M.S. Chinese for India.
The services of 1,500 Chinese coolies have been secured from the Malay States and Penang and are being sent to work at the wolfram concessions in the Tavoy District, says the *Advocate of India*.

Boxing Championship.
New Orleans, Dec. 7.—Kid Williams and Frankie Burns met here last night in a twenty rounds' boxing match for the bantam-weight championship of the world. The result was a draw.

A Hint to Hongkong.
The Kobe S.P.C.A. continues to do good work among the coolies in charge of horses, and last month the Inspectors gave over a hundred warnings to men whom they caught driving overloaded animals, beating horses, or otherwise ill-treating them.

Newspaper Fined.
In the Glasgow *Daily Record* case defendants were found guilty and fined £10 each on December 6. They were summoned under the Defence of the Realm Act for having in their possession or under their control a cypher code for secretly communicating naval or military information.

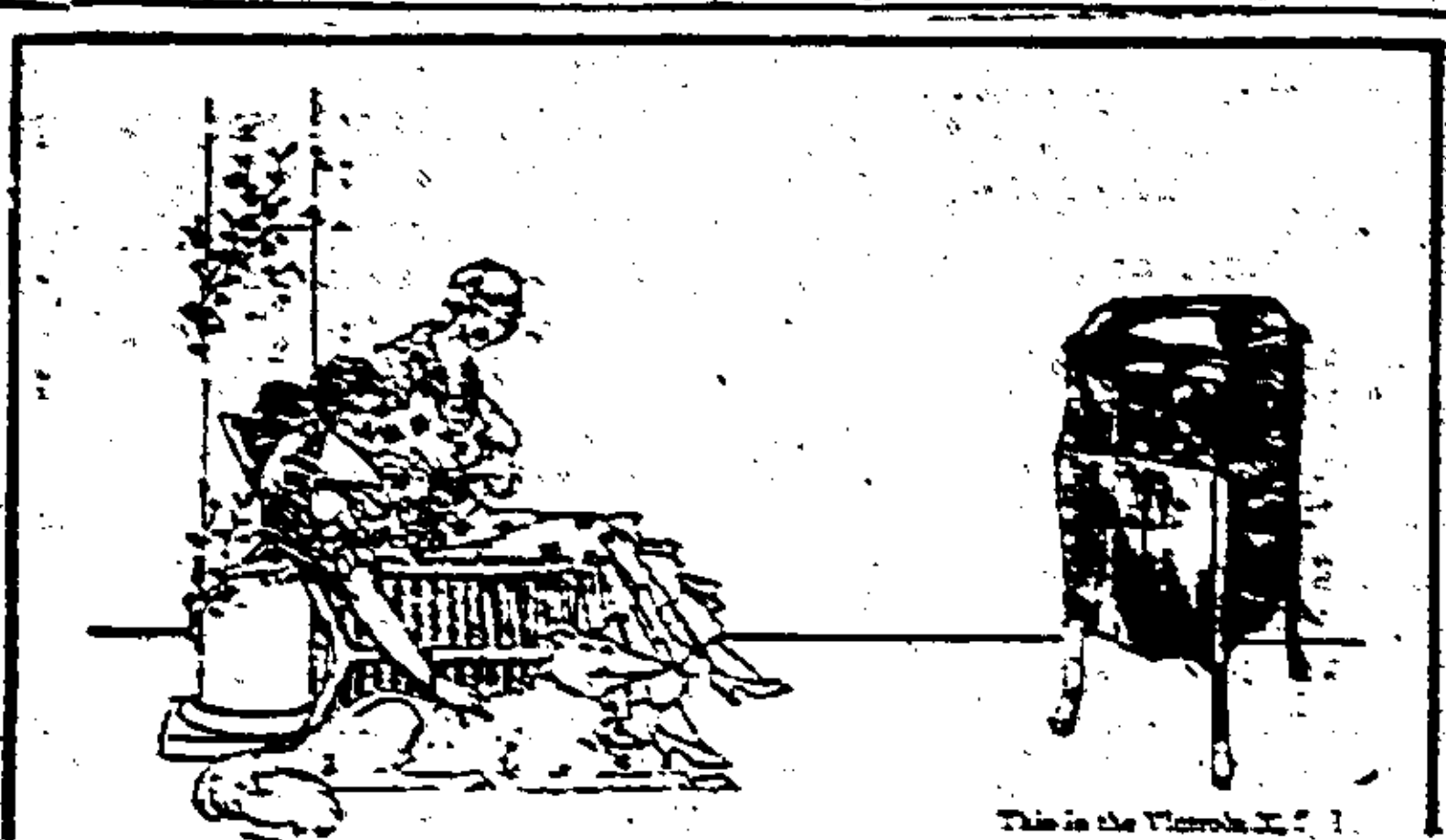
The French War Loan.
The *Asahi* reports that the subscriptions made in Japan to the new French Five per cent. War Loan, the lists for which closed on the 15th inst., amounted to about 2,280,000 francs, including the following:—Tokyo 1,018,000; Yokohama 835,000; Kobe 243,000; Seoul 115,000; Nagasaki 35,000; Osaka 33,000; Kyoto 6,000. Most of the subscribers were foreign residents and the highest individual subscriptions ranged between 200,000 and 400,000 francs.

An Insane Practice.
Says the *Singapore Free Press* of January 1.—That throwing the still burning ends of cigars or cigarettes out of windows without looking where they may fall is a dangerous practice was evidenced yesterday afternoon on Collyer Quay. Two Europeans noticed smoke issuing from under the storm cover of a motor car belonging to a member of the Peninsular and Oriental S.N. Co.'s staff. The car hood, as also the storm cover, was found to be burning, and had not one of the passers-by jumped on to the car and extinguished the flame with his hands, (covered with a handkerchief), the whole cover, if not the car itself, would have quickly been alight.

A Chinese Mission to Japan.
Peking, 4th January.—Chow Tze-chi, Minister of Agriculture and Commerce, leaves shortly for Japan to congratulate the Mikado on his coronation on behalf of H.E. Yuan Shih-kai. Many rumours are circulating as regards Chow Tze-chi's mission to Japan to convey a decoration to the Emperor of Japan and to congratulate him on his coronation. It is officially stated, however, that the mission was originated three months ago. The rumours are probably due to the coincidence of the mission with the change in the form of government. The Chinese Government decided to wait till the conclusion of the Coronation ceremonies in Japan before sending a special envoy, owing to the lack of accommodation at Kyoto.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Cholera in the Philippines.

In the city of Manila there was one death from cholera on January 1, a Japanese named Sira Cawa, who resided at 557 Calle Madrid, and on January 4, Amparo Paredes, residing at 1234 Callejon M. Natividad, Santa Cruz, died of the same disease. A telegram received later at the Bureau of Health from Dr. Jacobe Fajardo, chief health officer for the Department of Mindanao and Sulu, reports that there were 14 cases of cholera and 14 deaths in the Taraca valley, Lanao, during the preceding 24 hours.

The U.S. Presidential Campaign.

New York, December 14.—The Republicans will open their Convention on June 7th, 1916, and the Democratic Convention will probably be held a week later. The Hon. Charles E. Hughes, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, is the most popular Republican candidate to date, but it is doubtful if he will allow his name to go forward. Mr. Roosevelt is regaining ground and if Judge Hughes declines the nomination he may be a candidate. The Committee of the Republican Party is already busily occupied with the choice of candidates.

On Soap.

Soap appears to have been discovered by the Celts, for the name is derived from the Celtic word "sebon." It seems strange that such early wanderers should have been familiar with soap, but if they had the name they must certainly have had the article it stood for. Moreover, it is quite conceivable that nomads using wood fires could accidentally discover soap. All woods have a certain amount of mineral salts, chiefly those of potash, in their fibres. After burning, these are left in the form of carbonate, which a heavy shower of rain would dissolve into a liquid lye, washing only the grease from an overturned cauldron of broth to form soap. A dash of natural curiosity on the part of the woman who cleared up the mess would reveal the cleansing properties of the new substance.

German Prisoners in China who have Escaped.

So far there are thirty-one German and Austrian prisoners of war who have escaped from Russian custody into the Chinese territory on the Siberian frontier. They have been kept under detention in six different prefectures, says a recent issue of the *Manchuria Daily News*. M. Krupensky (Russian Minister to Peking) stated to the Peking Government that the presence of these war prisoners on the Siberian frontier formed a menace to Russian welfare and further suggested that China would be put in an awkward position if any of the prisoners should break away from China's custody. The Russian Minister pressed for their removal elsewhere. Accordingly, telegraphic instructions were sent to the Kiro Government, a few days ago, telling it to quarter them all in the city of Kiro.

GENERAL NEWS.

Hongkong University and the F.M.S.

On the four Loka Yew Scholarships at the Hongkong University, which are open to poor Chinese boys from Malaya, only one has at present been granted. Two of these Scholarships are for boys who have been educated in the F.M.S. schools. The *Malay Mail* understands that no F.M.S. candidates have yet applied. The Scholarship includes free tuition, free board and free lodging.

Kinta Gang Robbers.

Ipo, January 3.—On New Year's Eve, two watchmen of a mine near Menglam came across four Chinese, one of whom was carrying a rice bag. The Chinese were stopped and on the bag being placed on the ground, one had his suspicions aroused. The Chinese were attacked and bolted, leaving the bag which contained a number of arms and ammunition. The police were informed. No trace of the Chinese can be found but undoubtedly they are part of the gang operating in Kinta.—*Singapore Free Press*.

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THE ARMCHAIR CRITICS.

Every war produces a numberless army of amateur strategists and arm chair critics, who know far better than the most competent and experienced soldier how a given enterprise should be handled. In this respect the present struggle is no exception to the rule; in point of fact, it rather emphasises the truth of the generalisation. From the days of the Antwerp expedition, at the very beginning of the war, right down to the launching of the Dardanelles venture and on to the intervention in the Balkans, there have been wiseacres who have thoroughly persuaded themselves at least that, had they been given the direction of affairs, the war would have ended long since. And no doubt these know-alls have already published it abroad that the withdrawal from the Gallipoli Peninsula and the present suspension of activities in the Balkans precisely fulfil their expectations. Apart from their total ignorance concerning the questions upon which cranks of this type dilate so glibly, the most obvious fact which their vapourings reveal, is that they are utterly unable to take long views of a situation. They view each theatre of a separate campaign, forgetting that bigger minds than their own are at work on broad and comprehensive lines, taking count of all the circumstances and everywhere working for co-ordination of energy and action.

There are those who hold that we should never have ventured further afield than the Western front, and now that the Dardanelles enterprise has been given up, we may expect to hear these critics advocating withdrawal from the Balkans also. The theory of what may be termed the Western School, which, by the way includes Sir Edward Carson in its ranks, is that we should concentrate every man and all our strength and skill on pushing back the enemy in France and in Flanders, on the grounds that it is a fatal policy to dissipate our strength, that it is impossible to save Serbia except by beating Germany first and righting that gallant little Kingdom afterwards, and that the decisive scene of the war is, and must continue to be, the West. There is however, another side to the picture, and it is worth while taking a glance at it. First and foremost, it would surely be the veriest of follies to permit the Germans to have a walk-over in any theatre of war. Then, too, on the question of dissipation of strength, the fact must not be lost sight of that numbers and resources are on the side of the Allies, and obviously, therefore, it is the enemy who is most likely to suffer from the keeping open of as many theatres of war as possible. There is the further factor to be borne in mind that, by persevering in the Balkans, the Allies hope to render the utmost assistance to the Russians in their great offensive in the Spring—an offensive which they are even now beginning to develop.

But above and beyond the military and political arguments which can be adduced on one side or the other, is the supreme fact that no step is taken by any of the Allied nations without the joint approval after due consideration of all the factors, of the others. That point was made clear by Mr. Asquith a few days since. We have no need to bother about the wisdom or the unwisdom of this policy or of that. The war is in capable hands. Our best service just now is to preserve our confidence and to trust in those who have the reins in hand.

The War Funds.

We remarked in this column a day or two ago on the fact that the number of War Funds in Hongkong tends to increase rather than to diminish—a most gratifying sign, surely, and one which shows that the Colony is still anxious to render financial aid to the many movements which have sprung up in the interests of our fighting men and of those who are dependents of our soldiers and sailors. Under present circumstances, however, there is a good deal of overlapping in organisation and energy, and for that reason the formation of a general War Charities Committee must be regarded as a step in the right direction. This Committee held its inaugural meeting yesterday, and as a result of its preliminary deliberations there is every promise of a well-considered scheme being drawn up for the centralised management and control of all the War Funds to which the people of the Colony are subscribing. The idea underlying the creation of the body is not that the existing Funds should be closed down: it is merely to bring the management of those Funds under one head and, incidentally, to lay before the public the claims of any particular Fund which merits special support.

A Chance for All.

There can be no doubt that already Hongkong has done magnificently in assisting various war charities, and here a special word of appreciation is due to those who have voluntarily taken upon themselves the management of the several Funds opened in the Colony. These ladies and gentlemen have given a very great deal of time and energy to their self-imposed tasks, and while we are sure they will be quite willing to continue the good work, we are equally certain that they will see the advantages which will accrue from the operations of a central body whose special care it will be to receive all contributions for war purposes and to forward them to the proper quarters. As was pointed out at yesterday's meeting, there will be many residents who will still desire to support the particular Fund to which they have been contributing, and this they will quite well be able to do by ear-marking their subscriptions when sending them in. On the other hand, there will be others who have no predilections for any particular movement but who are none the less anxious to do their "bit." These may send in their contributions to the Committee, which will allocate the sums so received to a cause which the members know to be serving a really useful purpose. Later on, another National Loan will no doubt be floated, and, as His Excellency was at pains to point out, this Loan will deserve special support from those who have money which they can spare. For we are told that it is the "silver bullets" that will win the war. And we are sure that Hongkong would like to feel that, though so far away from the Motherland, it is doing something tangible to bring nearer the day of final and complete triumph.

Fires and their Causes.

At this time of the year outbreaks of fire are fairly common, but they are not all attributable to the fact that Chinese New Year is not far distant. Carelessness is probably a more frequent cause of fire than any other. That at any rate is the lesson which one gathers from a study of the Shanghai Fire Brigade report for November, and we imagine that what applies to Shanghai applies also to Hongkong in this respect. Out of ten outbreaks, the causes of which are given, three were due to sparks from stoves and one each to a kerosene pressure lamp setting fire to decorations, to children playing with matches, and to a cigarette being dropped on bedding. The causes of two were unknown; one was attributed to spontaneous combustion and another to incendiarism. These are illuminating facts, and they serve to show that with the exercise of a little reasonable care many an outbreak of fire could be prevented.

DAY BY DAY.

AGENCY OF OCCUPATION IS NOT KEPT.
A MEND QUITE VACANT IS A MIND DISTRESSED.—Cyprian.

The Weather.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 50; fine. (1915, 49 clear).
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 59; fine. (1915, 56 clear).

The Mails.
English Mail.—Closed per a.s. Novara at 2 p.m. to-day.
American Mail.—Due per a.s. Chiyo Maru to-day.
Australian Mail.—Closed per a.s. Nikko Maru at 3 p.m. to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Closed per a.s. Lechow at 5 p.m. to-morrow.

The Dollar.
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1/11 5/16.

To-morrow's Anniversary.
To-morrow is the 157th anniversary of the opening of the British Museum.

Departed.
Mr. A. A. Claxton was a passenger by the Homeward bound steamer Novara to-day.

Voyage Report.
The a.s. Tianjin, from Delaty and Chefoo, reports strong north-east monsoon and cloudy weather.

Belle View Hotel.
The Belle View Hotel bowling alley is now open. Meals can be obtained a la carte at this popular hostelry.

Notice to Consignees.
Consignees are informed that all goods ex a.s. Kathlamet remaining undelivered after the 14th inst., will be subject to rent. The Late Sir Kai Ho Kai.
A life-like picture in oils of the late Sir Kai Ho Kai has been added to the portraits in the Lai Kwai Pui Hall at St. Stephen's College.

Lieut. Barney.
Lieut. Barney, formerly of St. Stephen's College, is attached to the 7th Royal Dublin Fusiliers and has been serving in the Dardanelles.

Football Meeting.
There was a fairly good attendance at a meeting of the Football Challenge Shield Competition at the Victoria Bazaar last evening. Master Gunner May presided, but owing to the business being incomplete the meeting was adjourned for a week, when the question of draws will be considered.

Pocket Cup Open.
An accountant living at 7, Temple Street, Yau-mai, was boarding the Yau-mai Ferry at Hongkong last evening when some person cut open his jacket pocket and stole a purse, valued \$10, which contained \$257 in money. A cheque-book and some papers were also stolen. The matter has been reported to the police.

Stamp Ordinance Transgressed.
An offence against the Stamp Ordinance was admitted on behalf of nine folk by Mr. J. H. Gardner in Mr. Wood's court this morning. Mr. Gardner stated that all the men were employed by Mr. Lee Kee, of 21, Wellington Street, their wages averaging about \$5 or \$6 a month. In the present case they received wages for two or three months, thus receiving more than the \$10 which made them liable to affix a stamp when giving a receipt. When paying wages no receipt was asked for by most employers, but, for some reason or other, their employer required a receipt. As the folk were all poor, he asked for a lenient view to be taken. A fine of \$2 was imposed in each case.

LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output for the current month is as follows:—
January 1 ... Tons 142
" 2 ... " 137
" 3 ... " 135
" 4 ... " 127
" 5 ... " 125
" 6 ... " 123
" 7 ... " 139
" 8 ... " 132
" 9 ... " 128
" 10 ... " 150
" 11 ... " 133
" 12 ... " 243
" 13 ... " 237
Total to 13th inst. 1981
Daily average 152.38

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

STILL THE BILL.

East and West.
Reports from the Eastern fronts, if not of a wildly exciting nature, may at least be taken as indications that the enemy is finding his troubles increasing. That wonderful line which the Germans fortified along the Eastern front, a week or so ago, seems to be as much a bluff as most of their other performances, and has certainly not prevented the Russians from causing them a lot of further inconvenience. Similarly, in the West, despite the magnificent offensive that our friend the enemy was to make there, the British and French have discovered a variety of ways to prevent it from developing beyond the talk stage. Among other useful little scores is the British aeroplane attack near Lille, which resulted in the blowing up of an ammunition depot, with appreciable loss of German life. Why, one would fain ask, are there not more of these raids? There was a very sensible agitation at Home some few months ago in favour of a definite system of air reprisals for the raids committed in England. As usual, there were plenty of fools ready to oppose anything so sane; but we are still hoping that the Allied army chiefs will see their way to arranging for something of the sort; not of course merely on French and Belgian territory that is temporarily under enemy control, but on every available bit of Germany as well.

As Reuter anticipates, there will probably be more protests from the Greek Government now that the French have taken up an uncompromising attitude in the Archipelago. Greece has only herself to thank for any inconvenience to which she may be put. As not uncommonly happens, it has cost King Constantine infinitely more, in pains, anxiety and "face", to play a shady game than it would have cost him to run straight. In fact he puts us very much in mind of the man who will use up a hundred times more energy and brain power, and put himself to a hundred times more inconvenience, to borrow money and to avoid paying his debts than would have been necessary to gain a comfortable independence by honest work. And since the French have shown a reasonable disposition not to allow sentiment to encroach on business, why cannot the British do the same as regards the aliens at Home now? By Mr. Herbert Samuel's own admission, there are still well over five thousand German males at large in Great Britain. And, almost simultaneously, Mr. Macnamara announces that a court martial, "well short of being held" in connection with the blowing up, while in port, of the cruiser Natal! Courts martial will not bring the Natal back again, but an Ordinance for locking up those 5,554 loose Germans would probably go a long way towards preventing a recurrence of the Bulwark, Princess Irene and Natal episodes. At least there's no harm in trying the experiment.

The Bill.
The much discussed Bill in favour of compulsion has passed its second reading, after an abundance of talk. Thus much good has come out of the discussion: it has prompted some of the Radical and Labour Members to set their houses in order, to face unpleasant truths and to speak out like men in defence of trade union would-be intimidation. Mr. Henderson and Mr. Ellis Griffiths—two essentially representative men—have made the most praiseworthy efforts to hammer sense into the union people (and the Irish, for that matter) on the subject of compulsion. If boycotts and strikes are not an interference with the liberty of the subject, in Heaven's name what are they? We think it highly probable that this elementary lesson in practical logic will have its good effect on a perceptible number of the dissentients whose sense of British fair play should tell them that they cannot corner quite all the compulsion.

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

LEADING EVENTS IN THE GREAT WAR.

(Extracts from the war news contained in the "Hongkong Telegraph" of January 14, 1915.)

Turks Occupy Ancient Persian City.
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd reports that the Turks have occupied Tabriz.

Austrians Lamentable Position.
Reuter's correspondent at Venice states that conditions in Vienna have become intolerable. Small-pox, cholera and typhoid are raging, and numerous cases are reported from all points of Austria. The price of flour has become tripled, and that of butter doubled, while deficiencies are unobtainable. Crowds of refugees are arriving at Vienna from Bukovina, while hundreds of destitute people, mostly Jews, are stranded on the Roumanian frontier and are on the verge of starvation. The refugees are estimated at half a million.

Roumanian's Decision.
The Times correspondent in Sofia reports that, even should Italy remain neutral, Roumania has decided to enter the concert of the Entente Powers about the middle of February.

Turkey's Troubles Increasing.
A Petrograd official communiqué received from the army in the Caucasus reports that stubborn fighting continues with the Turkish rearguards at Olti. A fierce struggle at Katsaurgan is turning to our advantage. The Russians have captured one Turkish battalion and have practically annihilated another. They have also seized a Turkish camp with an artillery depot.

German Trick Circumvented.
A Petrograd official communiqué states that the Germans have been continuing their now customary tactics of attacks upon small detachments in isolated districts, all of which have been easily repelled.

F.M.S. Sultan's Loyalty.
The Sultan of Selangor has addressed a letter to the High Commissioner of the Straits Settlements, as follows:—"Although the Sultan of Turkey is of the same religion as myself, my Government has absolutely no concern with the Turkish Government, and my Chiefs and people are all loyal to the British Government. I pray that the British may be victorious in the present war."

THE YARN MARKET.

Effect of the Unrest in Kwangtung.

Messrs. Polshwalla and Kotwall, in their yarn market report dated January 13, state:—

Our last circular is dated the 30th ult. per a.s. Nankin. We regret having to chronicle another fortnight of absolute stagnation, there being hardly any movement to report. The political rising in Yunnan has killed all chances of business with that province, and in view of the rumours pointing to the existence of unrest in Canton and other prominent countries, it would be vain to hope for any improvement in the present position.

The total of sales during the fortnight amounts hardly to 150 bales. Such an unsatisfactory state of affairs has not been witnessed for a considerable time. In strange contrast to the gloomy position in China, Bombay spinners are firmer than ever under the compulsion of stiff cotton.

Total sales, 150 bales.
Stocks:—Unsold and undelivered in the godowns, 86,000 bales. Arrivals:—Thermal and Nellore and extra str. Kamakura Maru from Bombay, have brought in 6,300 bales for Hongkong, and 5,700 bales for Shanghai. Shipments from Hongkong to Shanghai, coast ports &c., nil.

Shanghai:—Reports a dull and nervous market, with little of interest passing.

Japanese Yarn:—A few transactions are recorded and about 100 bales Yellow Jess 20s have changed hands at \$128.75 bales. Sales Nov. 20s at \$132.

Raw Cotton:—Bengal no stock. 185 bales Chinese have been sold at \$34 per picul. Quotations:—Bengal at \$20 to \$22, Chinese at \$25 to \$34.

THE TRIALS.

A Meeting at the Racecourse.

Keen, raw, cold, an early morning ride in a creeping mizzle through the dark streets where figures sit slumped by, a rush down the incline, and a halt at Happy Valley heeding snugly amidst the hills, where, out of the darkness, a dull third third, rapidly drawing nearer, and the raucous cries of the Chinese jockeys strike the ears of the new arrival. A moment later living forms detach themselves from the gloom. There is just time to catch a glimpse of the ponies, heads up, a cloud of vapour being emitted from their distended nostrils, before they have gone thundering past, and one senses, by the uneven beat of boots a little further on, that they are turning the corner. The pony trials are in progress, to racing enthusiasts an event of almost more importance than the actual Race itself, albeit that is the culmination of many weeks' hard work.

Despite the cold and early hour, warm beds have been ungrudgingly vacated, and already a fair crowd has clustered round the railings straining eyes in a vain endeavour to discern and identify the ponies. Occasionally an on-looker succeeds in penetrating the blackness, and after gazing intently whilst the galloping griffin is within range of vision, he, or she for that matter, (for there are ladies here, too) turns to a companion or companions to make some remark. "That white one keeps well down, an easy trotter." "Let her head go man." (This to the rider), and so on. The keenest interest is displayed by all with the exception of a lady who will persist in viewing this exciting moment with a detached air. She shatters the preoccupation of the onlookers with common every-day observations which are quite audible. "I was looking at China Coast this morning and he looked fine," she says. All right so far; she has willing listeners. But she spoils herself by rambling off at a tangent about the piece of ginger cake and the cap of chocolate she had partaken of at breakfast, and then, to crown all, she tries to scratch up an argument on golf. Although her companions are far more anxious to view the trials, she insists on thrusting upon them a dissertation indicating in which direction her ambitions lie. Her leftest ideal apparently is to go round the course at Deepwater Bay in 47. It is sheer sacrilege to yarn of golf at this time, and soon she recognises it too, for she is next heard betting her male friend \$5 that Chopsticks and Rice is a superior pony to Rice and Curry. The bet is accepted, and the loser takes should forget, she reminds him so many times of it that, in exasperation, he exclaims, "I've got you, or is this another one?"

Now the dawn breaks—trees, houses, and other objects take definite shape, and with a last sigh, the wind sweeps the sole remaining morsel of darkness away. The ponies, the centre of attraction, gallop into full view. On they go, ears well up, every muscle tense. Now, the crowd can see round the whole course. Stop watches are out. "Times" are being recorded. These early morning trials are a grand sight. They possess a charm all their own. One cannot wonder that so many follow the sport. To remain apathetic in this atmosphere is impossible. And so new converts are made, not from any sordid motive as regards money, but for the pure love of the cleanliness of it all.

An Explanation Needed.

Two Chinese coming off the Canton boat, Tai Lee, this morning, were searched by a Chinese watchman on the wharf, and were found to have in their possession a large lump of silver, weighing 12½ lbs, value about \$200, and a small quantity of gold. Failing to give a satisfactory explanation of their possession of this metal, the men were charged before Mr. Wood this morning, when they stated that they had melted down several silver articles, and extracted the gold in the process. The first defendant was discharged, the other man being remanded for enquiry as to the metal.

THE SITUATION IN CHINA.

The Canton Bomb Incident.

With further reference to the bomb-throwing incident at Canton, reported in our issue of last night, we learn that at 10.30 p.m. on Wednesday, a bomb was thrown at the Kwangtung Electric Supply Co.'s power house, but not much damage was done. All the windows in the building were smashed, a few bricks displaced and two or three coolies killed. The bomb or was thrown by a man who was passing the building in a ricksha. Mr. Garrard, the Chief Engineer, was entertaining a few friends at a bridge party at the time, amongst them being the British Consul General, Mr. E. C. Wilton, C.M.G.

Later information is to the effect that one person—a ricksha coolie—was killed, and two Chinese pedestrians were injured. No arrests appear to have been made at the time. The explosion was very distinctly heard round about Shamen and along the native Bund. Indeed there was something like a panic among many of the Chinese in the immediate neighbourhood of the electric light works. Many of them hastily collected as much of their portable property as possible and ran about aimlessly looking for safety.

A Chinese report to the effect that a district commander was killed is untrue.

The impression among the Shamen people and also among the more reliable of the Chinese is that the Canton authorities are well able to keep down the riotous elements, and that anything like organised violence is out of the question. No further news as to skirmishes in the outlying districts is to hand. It is perhaps significant that merchants in and out of Canton hesitate to enter into the "complimentary contracts" that are commonly observed just before Chinese New Year.

It is understood that no soldiers have yet been sent down to Yunnan Province, though the popular belief in Canton is that General Lung Kam-kwong, the Governor Yunnan's brother, will shortly be setting out in the direction with troops.

Views of Hankow Yunnanese.

The following telegram has been sent to the N. C. Daily News from Yunnanese in Hankow:

Tsai Ao, Jen Ko-cheng and Tai Kan are not natives of Yunnan. They seized Yunnan and started the rebellion with the object of attaining their selfish desire for power and privileges. The Yunnanese resident in Hankow have become very angry. They have met, discussed, and sent telegrams requesting that the rebels be punished. They also propose to request, by telegraph, the Emperor to send punitive expeditions against them so as to rescue the people from fire and water.

General Tuan.

Peking, Jan. 8.—General Tuan Chi-jui, who has been reported to be in Shanghai, is in Peking. When seen by a correspondent he stated that his physician advised rest but he was not going to Shanghai for a cure.

Daily telegrams are being received from Szechuan which, so far, is quiet. The Legations continue to receive reassuring reports from various provinces. They Yunnan residents in Peking have telegraphed to the acting Military and Civil Governors of Yunnan urging a suspension of rebel activities.

Peking, Dec. 8. The suggestion of General Lin Hsien-tze, the Defence Commissioner, and Lung Chien-chang, Governor of Kueichow, urging a special citizens' conference to reconsider the monarchical question which has been rejected by the Government, who have decided on suppressing Yunnan by force. Both General Lung Chai-kwong and Governor Chang Min-chi have strongly denounced Kueichow's suggestion. So far Kueichow remains loyal to Peking. Hsiphong, Jan. 7.—General Ho, who was Tao-tai at Mengtze under the old Empire and who is a fervent royalist, is again Tao-tai at Mengtze, and many people are accepting him.

Anxiety in Kueichow.

Kueiyang, Jan. 7.—A meeting of the gentry and others has appointed three of the gentry to go to Yunnan to dissuade the rebels sending troops into Kueichow. The delegates leave to-morrow. A local newspaper states that the Central Government has agreed to the request made by Kueichow not to send troops into the province.

Message from Loyal Officials in Yunnan.

Peking, January 9.—A Mandate appoints General Wang Tsang-yuan Chiangchun of Hupeh in succession to Chang Hsi-luan. General Wang Tsang-yuan is an old follower of Yuan Shih-kai. Chinese reports state that General Tsu-tseng and General Liu Chiu-wu, who were recently appointed acting Chiangchun and Civil Governor of Yunnan, have secretly wired to the Government accepting the appointments, and saying that they would do their utmost to effect a peaceful solution of the present trouble. They requested the Central Government meanwhile to station troops on the Szechuan-Yunnan border, but not to permit any to enter Yunnan.

Government's Military Measures.

According to the Chinese Press—and there is for the moment practically no other information available—the Government has decided to despatch three expeditions against Yunnan.

The first expedition will be commanded by General Tsao Kun, who will lead the whole 3rd Division into Yunnan. This expedition has started on its way already. The second force will be composed of drafts from troops in Hunan and Kiangsi. The third will be formed of Northern troops. The Commanders of these two latter forces have not been definitely appointed, but it is understood that the second expedition will be sent to the frontier of Kueichow and Szechuan and the third expedition to the frontier of Kueichow and Kueichow. These last will be ordered to reinforce General Tsao Kun's force in case he should suffer any serious reverse.

Another plan which the Government is said to entertain is to send a high official as Pacific Commissioner to Yunnan. The Government, it is asserted, will issue a mildy worded Mandate, excusing General Tsao's hostilities in opposing it and using other soothing means to heal up the wound.

Remission of Taxes in Peking.

In view of the unrest in Kueichow it is worthy of note that, in response to a joint memorial from the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Finance, a number of districts in the province have been exempted from the land tax due for the third year of the Republic. The mandate granting exemption—which purports to be in consideration of recent floods—adds: "towns and villages in these districts which have suffered no damage are permitted to pay eighty per cent. of their land-tax when due and the remaining twenty per cent. at a date after their autumn crop in the fourth year (1915) has been harvested."

Chinese papers state that, in the matter of the proposed additional likin taxes in Kiangsu, Chinese merchants have emerged victorious at least to the extent of gaining a temporary respite. A telegram from the Nungshanpu conveying the welcome news reached the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce three days ago. It is worthy of note that the protest of merchants in Shanghai was framed in a way which throws light on their attitude towards the monarchical movement. They objected on the grounds that the proceeds of the tax were to be used in connection with the movement—North China Daily News.

Assassination of a Prominent Shanghai Official.

A mysterious crime, without any apparent motive, was committed in Shanghai on Saturday afternoon near the Great Western Road at a quarter past four, says the N. C. D. News of January 10. Mr. Chang Sze-shen, local manager of the Bank of Communications, was waylaid in Great Western Road, by two Chinese and as the result of something in the nature of a crossfire with revolvers received a wound in the left side, in consequence of which he died within a few minutes of his admission

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

SIR GEORGE REID.

(To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—Being interested in reading your article in to-day's issue on Sir George Reid, who has been elected Member for Hanover Square, I may mention that Sir George and I had been members of the same Club, the British Empire, in St. James Square, S.W., where, by the way, he was always a royal entertainer in his capacity as High Commissioner for Australia, having large lunch parties for distinguished and non-distinguished visitors from the Commonwealth. Here are two rather good anecdotes in connection with the popular new M.P.

As you may know, he is rather inclined to stoniness, and some years ago while he was in Australia he was referring, in one of his speeches, to a particularly acute domestic crisis in Australian politics (during which time he was unfortunately ill) and said "What would have happened to Australia if I had died then?" when a voice replied "The fact would have been in the fire then, Geordie," as he was affectionately called. That he tells this story himself shows that he does not mind the laugh being on the other side.

On another occasion he distinctly scored. One of his hecklers was accusing him of political insincerity and said "Geordie, you are two-faced. You may be very clever, but you are two-faced." Sir George paused, and, looking towards the interrupter, said "That may be so. You are not two-faced, are you Bill?" "No I am not," proudly replied the man, and was about to go on when Sir George retorted "If you were, you would certainly have brought your other face with you."

Yours, etc.,
F. HAMILTON SAWYER,
Hongkong, January 13, 1915.

into the Shantung Hospital, and within a quarter of an hour of the shooting. The French Police have one of the alleged assailants in custody owing to the courage and energy of an Annamite policeman, who, hearing the shooting, gave chase and effected a capture.

Enquiries show that Mr. Chang was riding in his carriage along the Great Western Road, from west to east in Avenue Edouard VII, and when behind the International Institute, he passed between two men, one of whom was walking on the pavement and the other in the middle of the road. The latter was slightly in advance of the former and when the carriage was fairly between them, the two men are said to have drawn revolvers and to have opened fire upon the occupant of the carriage. Exactly how many shots were fired is not at present known but one, apparently fired by the man on the pavement, took effect in the left side of Mr. Chang, who immediately collapsed. Seeing what had occurred and appreciating the fact that his master had been seriously injured, the mafiosi whipped up his horse and drove straight to the Shantung Road Hospital where he died at 4.30 o'clock.

The arrested man, when taken to the station refused to make any statement but it has been ascertained that his name is Lion Ngo-seng. He is twenty-two years of age and a native of Shantung. The other man has not been arrested.

Though the boundary between the International Settlement and the French Concession runs down the middle of the road in which the murder was committed, it is possible that the case will come on for hearing before the International Mixed Court. It would appear that the carriage proceeded from west to east was, following the rule of the road, on the International side of thoroughfare, though that is a matter which has still to be decided.

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ALLEGED TRESPASS.

At the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, R. A. Curram, of 22 and 24 Leighton Hill Road, sued Lou Poi and Co., contractors, of Amoy Lane, Wanchai, for \$1,000 damages for wrongful trespass on plaintiff's property at Inland Lots 532 and 330.

The plaintiff was represented by Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, and Mr. A. B. Crew appeared for the defendant.

Defendant, said Mr. Shenton, wished the case to come on as early as possible. It was a claim for trespass which was still continuing. Respondent was pulling down his house and the debris was coming through.

Mr. Crew said his friend could claim for the repair of the roof if he so wished.

The hearing was fixed for Wednesday.

CRICKET.

The following have been selected to represent K.C.C. "A" against H.K.C.C. "B" on Saturday at 2.15 p.m. on the H.K.C.C. Ground.—J. P. Robinson, Major Robertson, B. D. Evans, F. Sutton, J. V. Bragg, L. J. Blackburn, J. H. Mead, J. C. Fletcher, S. E. Green, K. McLennan and Capt. Liddell.

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11th Jan.—Mitsui, 5th Jan. Coal

—M.R.K.

Washing, Br. s.s. 1,127, M. Picknell.

Jan.—Swatow, 10th Jan. Rice—

Order.

Haiching, Br. s.s. 1,267, W. C. Passmore.

11th Jan.—Swatow, 11th Jan.

Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Taihai Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,101, T. Honenchi.

12th Jan.—Dairen, 2nd Jan. Gen.—

—M.R.K.

Takung, Br. s.s. 2, A. Matthews.

12th Jan.—Haiphong, 10th Jan. Gen.—

J. M. & Co.

Kaiyo Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,126, K. Nakamura.

12th Jan.—Swatow, 11th Jan.

Gen.—O.S.K.

Empire, Br. s.s. 2,243, J. McGregor.

12th Jan.—Kobe, Gen.—G. L. & Co.

Hansnet, Br. s.s. 2,073, Klansen.

12th Jan.—Amoy, 11th Jan. Gen.—

Order.

Manapouri, Br. s.s. 1,228, J. Jones.

12th Jan.—Bangkok, 5th Jan. Rice—

Chinese.

Sado Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,353, Murasumi.

12th Jan.—Shanghai, 10th Jan. Gen.—

—N.Y.K.

Fuji Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,123, A. Watanabe.

12th Jan.—Wakamatsu, 7th Jan.

Gen.—M.R.K.

VESSELS DUE.

Agents.	Vessel's Name.	Ton-	Date	From.
P. & O.	Sardinia	6,574	Jan. 15	London
N. Y. K.	Bombay Maru	8,000	Jan. 15	Yokohama
J. C. J. L.	Tijmanook		Jan. 15	Manila
N. Y. K.	Awa Maru	12,500	Jan. 16	Manila
B. & S.	Changaha	2,269	Jan. 18	Australia
C. P. R.	E. of Japan		Jan. 23	Vancouver
N. Y. K.	Shidzuka Maru	12,500	Jan. 23	America
B. & S.	Oospek	2,883	Jan. 24	Batavia
N. Y. K.	Suwa Maru	21,000	Jan. 26	Yokohama
P. & O.	Kashmir	3,841	Jan. 27	Yokohama
P. & O.	Nellor	6,853	Jan. 28	Yokohama
P. & O.	Namur	6,694	Jan. 29	London
N. Y. K.	Kamakura Maru	12,500	Jan. 29	Yokohama
G. L. & Co.	Aldenharn	3,808	Jan. 30	Australia
N. Y. K.	Colombo Maru	8,000	Jan. 30	Yokohama
P. & O.	Nellor	6,853	Feb. 4	Yokohama
P. & O.	Nore	6,703	Feb. 5	London
C. P. R.	Monteagle		Feb. 6	Vancouver
J. C. J. L.	Tijsondani		Feb. 7	Java
N. Y. K.	Asuta Maru		Feb. 9	Yokohama
P. & O.	Sardinia	6,574	Feb. 11	Yokohama
P. & O.	Nankin	5,853	Feb. 12	London
N. Y. K.	Aki Maru		Feb. 13	Seattle
P. & O.	Kitachi Maru		Feb. 13	Yokohama
T. K. K.	Mongara	3,250	Feb. 14	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Tenyo Maru		Feb. 15	San Francisco
N. Y. K.	Tango Maru		Feb. 16	Australia
P. & O.	Nippon Maru	11,000	Feb. 19	San Francisco
P. & O.			Feb. 19	London
G. L. & Co.	St. Albans		Feb. 20	Australia
P. & O.	Namur	6,701	Feb. 20	Yokohama
P. & O.	Norara	6,850	Feb. 24	London
N. Y. K.	Tamba Maru		Feb. 25	Seattle
T. Y. K.	Anyo Maru	18,500	Feb. 27	San Francisco
N. Y. K.	Yokohama Maru		Mar. 1	Seattle
J. C. J. L.	Karimoon		Mar. 6	Java
N. Y. K.	Nikko Maru		Mar. 9	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Tango Maru		Mar. 11	Australia
J. C. J. L.	Tikembang		Mar. 13	Yokohama
			Apr. 7	Java

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1916

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph.")

OUTRAGES IN AMERICA.

ANOTHER EXPLOSION.

January 13, 1.45 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Wilmington states that the fifth explosion within two days has destroyed more property at the Dupont Powder Works.

GERMAN MURDER.

ANOTHER CAVELL CASE.

January 13, 1.45 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam states that two sisters have been sentenced at Liege respectively to death and to fifteen years' imprisonment for aiding Belgians to join the Army.

GERMAN AERIAL OFFICERS PICKED UP.

January 13, 1.45 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Flushing states that two officers aboard a drifting German aeroplane have been picked up near the Noordhinder light-ship.

A CHINESE SAILOR'S GAMBLE.

Interesting Case in the Summary Court.

The hearing was resumed at the Summary Court this afternoon, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, of the case in which Chan Hing, 303, Queen's Road, sued Wan Shan, 26 Stanley Street, for the sum of \$521.50, being the amount of principal and balance of interest due under the defendant's borrowing note dated May 5.

Mr. Faithfull appeared for the plaintiff and defendant was represented by Mr. L. D'Almada. Mr. Faithfull said that since the last hearing he had learned that the plaintiff had a witness who could prove that he went to the defendant's house, with the money. If his Lordship was satisfied with that, then the other was done away with. In the interests of justice, he (Mr. Faithfull) held that he should be allowed to call this witness.

Mr. D'Almada objected, but this was overruled by his Lordship. A Chinese accountant said he knew defendant and about three years ago he went to defendant's house with him. Witness carried a rattan basket which contained 20-cent pieces in Chinese subsidiary coin. Plaintiff then took the basket from him, went up the stairs, and some 15 minutes later returned without the basket.

Mr. D'Almada:—Do you know that the money was given to the defendant?—No, I don't know that.

Defendant, recalled and cross-examined by Mr. Faithfull, admitted that this was the first time he had ever given a note for a gambling debt.

Did you lose all the money to the banker?—Yes.

That money you lost would belong to the other players too?—No; only to the bank.

Why should the banker have all the money?—Because he won it, of course.

Mr. Faithfull:—I am a baby at this game. I never played for money in my life, and it is Greek to me. I am merely seeking for information.

Mr. D'Almada:—That is all right.

Mr. Faithfull held that the money was a loan and not a gambling debt. This gambling did not take place at a house in the

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V. D., state:—

Joined.

The undermentioned have joined the Corps, are allotted Corps numbers and are posted as follows:—

No. 1957 Sapper A. Aitchison to Engineer Company.
No. 1958 Sapper J. B. Speirs to Engineer Company.
No. 1959 Sapper J. Weir to Engineer Company.

King's Park Range.

The Range is allotted to the H.K.V.R. from 2 p.m. till dusk on 22nd and from 9 a.m. till 1 p.m. on 23rd instant.

Parades.

Parades for Saturday 15th inst. 7.30 a.m. Members of Signalling Section and other Signallers, as detailed in Signalling Section order dated 8.12.15, Morse flag and Heliograph practice at Headquarters.

2.30 p.m. Musketry at King's Park Range, as detailed in Corps Order No. 2, dated 10.1.16.

Remainder Nil.

Detail.

Gun Club Hill, Kowloon.
On duty until to-morrow No. 2 Section Artillery Battery.

Officer on duty Capt. W. M. Scott.

Next for duty H.K.V.R.

P. of W. Camp, Kowloon:—

On duty to-night Right Section M. G. Co.

Officer on duty Lieut. Kennett.

Orderly Sergeant until to-morrow morning—Sergeant Hegarty.

Next for duty H.K.V.R.

Colonel, but on board an American ship, which was American property, so to speak. He did not know whether gambling or the playing a *pai kau* was legal or not. He had never been there, but he did not expect they had ever heard of it in America.

His Lordship:—I suppose they have in San Francisco.

Mr. Faithfull:—Well, they might have there, because there are a lot of Chinese there.

Mr. D'Almada said he was sure his Lordship would come to the conclusion that this was a gambling debt.

Judgment was given for the defendant with costs.

TELEGRAMS.

JAPANESE BOMB OUTRAGE.

Attempt on the Premier.

(Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph.")
London, Received January 14.
Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo says:—A man threw two bombs at the Japanese Premier's (Count Okuma's) automobile. Count Okuma was not injured.

VICEROY OF INDIA.

Lord Hardinge's Successor.

London, Received January 14.
The Times says it is generally believed that Lord Chelmsford has succeeded Lord Hardinge as Viceroy of India.
[Baron Chelmsford was formerly Governor of Queensland and of New South Wales.]

MEXICAN MASSACRE.

Americans Murdered.

London, Received January 14.
Reuter's correspondent at El Paso states that a man named Thomas Holmes was the only American to escape in the massacre at Chihuahua. He says that nineteen were murdered and that there were 300 bandits. Holmes was beaten with a belt when asked to address.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that Mr. Lansing has demanded that General Carranza shall promptly punish the bandits.

DISASTROUS EARTHQUAKE.

Rabat Destroyed.

London, Received January 14.
Reuter's correspondent at Brisbane states that an earthquake has destroyed Rabat in New Guinea, the former German Capital.

THE UNREST IN CHINA.

London, Received January 14.
Reuter's correspondent in Hongkong says:—There has been a sanguinary three days' engagement between the Chinese Government troops and the rebels in Canton. The rebels fought till their ammunition was exhausted and they then used bombs. Ultimately the rebels were routed and their leaders and many men were killed and others captured.

The Canton Government reports adds that the garrisons are still pursuing the remainder of the rebels with the object of exterminating them.

THE WIRELESS STATION.

It is announced that communication has been restored at the Cape D'Aguilar Wireless Station.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 4 p.m. to-day:—Cyclone or typhoon over the Visayas Islands, moving W or W. N. W.

A HOTEL TRAGEDY.

Visitor Found Shot in Bathroom.

Residents at the Hongkong Hotel were shocked to learn this morning of a sad tragedy which took place in the hotel, a man, Sydney Godden by name, being found dead with a bullet wound in the head.

It appears that the deceased arrived at the Hotel yesterday from Canton, and had arranged to leave to-day by the Nikko Maru for Australia. This morning he went to his bath at about ten o'clock and some time afterwards some-one went to call him. After waiting for a long time, enquiries were made, with the result that the bath room boy went into the bath room and found the man lying in a pool of blood, with a bullet wound in the head.

The management were informed and immediately Dr. Marriott and the police were sent for. On the arrival of the doctor he could only pronounce life to be extinct. The police then took charge of the man's effects and the body was later removed to the mortuary. It is stated that an automatic pistol was found close to the deceased, and several letters were also left. These are in the custody of the police.

A NEW ROULETTE.

An Ingenious Chinese Contrivance.

An ingenious and novel method of gambling was explained before Mr. Hazeland at the Police Court this morning when two Chinese were charged with street gambling yesterday evening at Reclamation Street, Yau-mai. The apparatus consisted of a large circular piece of cardboard on which was affixed a railway. A mechanically-driven engine, with tender and coach, representing first, second and third prizes respectively, was set in motion; the marked places opposite which the engine stopped entitling the person who had backed it to first prize. Several marked places were on the cardboard, this allowing several persons to join in the game.

Both defendants were fined \$5, or in default, 12 days' hard labour, an order also being made for the contrivance to be confiscated. Inspector Gerrard stated that there was quite a lot of that sort of gambling going on in Yau-mai and Kowloon, and he wished that case to act as a deterrent to such a practice.

CHINESE POSTMAN CHARGED.

Alleged Theft from Mail Packages.

A Chinese postman was brought before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning on a charge of stealing from certain correspondence or parcels, whilst in course of transit through the General Post Office, Hongkong, a large quantity of small articles, the property of the Postmaster General, valued altogether at \$50, between December 1 and January 13.

Postal Inspector Watt asked for a remand. It appears that the accused was engaged in sorting letters and parcels, and it is alleged that he broke open the packages. Upon the Inspector searching his quarters at the Post Office, he found the articles. As some more goods had been found after the charge had been made out, and as it was expected to trace other things, he was instructed to ask for a remand.

Defendant said he bought all the things from another man.

A remand until Monday morning was granted.

SHARE MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Up to the Minute.

Yangtze—\$265.
Douglas—\$113, buyers.
Star Ferry—\$37, sellers.
China Sugar—\$131, buyers.
West Point—\$81.
Cement—\$10.20, sellers.
Hopes—\$31, buyers.
Langkai—\$11.37 1/2, buyers.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to-day by Mr. E. C. Jenkin, D.S.P. (Reserve) state:—

Mounted Police.

In the event of there being a sufficient number of men in the Police Reserve who are experienced horsemen and who, in addition, either have horses or ponies of their own or can obtain same in case of need, the formation of a detachment of Mounted Police will be considered.

Communications should be addressed direct to this office.

Parades 5.30 p.m.

Saturday January 15.—Combined Parade of all ranks, except medical exempts, and recruits at Central Police Station, 2.45 p.m. sharp.

Monday, January 17th.—No. 4 Company and all recruits.

Tuesday, January 18th.—No. 3 and ambulance Companies.

Wednesday, January 19th.—No. 2 Company.

Thursday, January 20th.—No. 1 Company.

Friday, January 21st.—No. 4 Company and all recruits.

Defaulter.

For carrying their rifles in a slovenly manner and contrary to orders when in uniform in public, ten P. Cs have been ordered extra drill for one hour.

Annual Dinner.

Inspectors and Sergeants are required to be prepared to discuss the details of the first Annual Dinner when attending the Range on Sunday, January 16th.

Special Service Staff.

With reference to orders of August 28th to 27th, members who have joined since that date are required to advise this office in writing of their qualifications and practical knowledge in such matters as photography, surveying, motor-car driving, electricity, first aid, languages, riding, driving, maxim or machine gun work, seamanship, &c., &c.

THE BOMB CASE.

Defendant Bound Over.

Mr. J. R. Wood gave his decision this morning in the case against a Chinese for being in possession of 15 bomb cases.

His Worship said that he would have to convict, although he did not think that the defendant had any guilty knowledge. He would bind the defendant over in two sureties of \$100 each to come up for judgment if called upon and to be of good behaviour.

To-night's Attraction.

The De Villiers Company open their season to-night at 9.15 o'clock. The theatre is situated near the Post Office at Kowloon. A splendid programme is promised.

Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospital:—Standard Oil Co., \$50.

BELGIAN ORPHANS' FUND.

Further Contributions from Hongkong Desirable.

M. Gaston Liebert, Consul General for France and Acting Consul for Belgium, wishes to offer his very hearty thanks to the people of Hongkong who recently raised among them a contribution of \$1,000 towards the Belgian Orphan Fund.

This fund, it need hardly be said, is doing a vast amount of useful work and is one well worthy of support. The Belgians have suffered more through the war than Britishers can imagine, and the slaughter among their troops has been great. Under ordinary circumstances Belgium would have been well able to look after the orphaned children of her brave men who have given their lives for their country; but, as our readers are well aware, she is unable to accept this responsibility, and it is but right that the burden should be taken off her shoulders by the people of more fortunate countries.

The belligerents who have suffered the least by the war are the British; and the British of Hongkong may be said not to have suffered at all. If for this reason alone, it is hoped that this colony will continue to help so deserving a fund. We feel sure that our readers, who have ever shown themselves ready to respond to any appeal for the relief of distress, will not fail to go on helping.

Subscriptions will be received by M. Liebert, or by Mrs. Ede, President, Mr. Forsyth, Hon. Secretary, or Mlle. Madeleine Liebert, Hon. Treasurer, of the fund.

EXTRADITION CASE.

The conclusion of the extradition case which has been occupying the attention of Mr. Hazeland at the Police Court for some time past was reached to-day, when the Magistrate gave his judgment.

The case was one in which the Canton Government applied for the extradition of the fugitive with a view to punish him for alleged kidnapping, robbery and murder. In the hearing of the case it was stated that the fugitive, with others, was concerned in the kidnapping of a family of nine persons in the Shan Tak district, at a village near the Fi Ngao Mountains in August last.

The prosecution has been conducted by Mr. G. N. Orme, whilst Mr. Leo D'Almada represented the fugitive.

His Worship first referred to Mr. D'Almada's point with reference to the definition of the word "accused" in the Ordinance, saying after reviewing the point, that it meant charged with a crime, not necessarily with any legal formality. With regard to the case generally he was satisfied that a *prima facie* case had been made out, and he proposed to commit the fugitive.

FIRE BRIGADE CALL.

Shortly after two o'clock this afternoon, the Fire Brigade received a call to Messrs. Blackhead and Company's premises in Ice House Street. Under Station Superintendent Lane, the Brigade's motor engine proceeded to the scene, but on arrival it was discovered that the outbreak was insignificant and the services of the firemen were not required. It appears that a small packing case caught fire, and some Chinese, becoming alarmed, sent for the Brigade. The flames were extinguished before the Brigade arrived.

VOLUNTEER RESERVE ORDERS.

H.K.V.R. order No. 5, issued to-day by Major Wakeman, Commanding H.K.V.R., state:—

Prisoners of War Camp and Gun Club Hill Detachment.
The H.K.V.R. will relieve the H.K.V.C. on Saturday the 15th inst.

Detail.

Prisoners of War Camp.

Saturday 15th inst. Sections 1 and 2 of A Co.

Sunday 16th inst. Sections 1 and 2 of B Co.

Monday 17th inst. Section 1 of C Co.

Tuesday 18th inst. Sections 3 and 4 of A Co.

Wednesday 19th inst. Sections 3 and 4 of B Co.

Thursday 20th inst. Sections 2, 3 and 4 of C Co.

Gun Club Hill.

Saturday 15th inst. Sections 3 and 4 of A Co.

Sunday 16th inst. Sections 3 and 4 of B Co.

Monday 17th inst. Sections 2, 3 and 4 of C Co.

Tuesday 18th inst. Sections 1 and 2 of A Co.

Wednesday 19th inst. Sections 1 and 2 of B Co.

Thursday 20th inst. Section 1 of C Co.

Parades.

"C" Co. will parade for field exercises on Sunday the 16th inst. at Corps Order No. 4.

"A" Co. will parade on the Cricket Ground on Monday the 17th inst. at 5.15 p.m. Dress: drill order.

"G" Co. will parade on the Cricket Ground on Wednesday 19th inst. at 5.15 p.m. Dress: drill order.

"B" Co. will parade on the Cricket Ground on Friday the 21st inst. at 5.15 p.m. Dress: drill order.

Recruits will parade on the Cricket Ground on Monday the 17th inst. Wednesday the 19th inst., and Thursday the 20th inst. at 5.15 p.m. under Sergt. Major Bond. Dress: drill order.

"D" Co. will parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Wednesday the 19th inst. at 5.15 p.m. under Sergt. Major Cooke. Dress: drill order. The Signalling Section will parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday the 17th inst., Wednesday the 19th inst., and Friday the 21st inst. at 5.15 p.m. Uniform to be worn.

Field Exercises.

Field exercises will be carried out by "B" Co. on Sunday the 23rd inst. Further orders will be issued.

Postings.

Pte. G. T. M. Edkins, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 577 and posted to Co. "A" Sec. 2.

Pte. G. Ireland, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 578 and posted to Co. "A" Sec. 1.

Pte. P. H. Boffe, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 579 and posted to Co. "C" Sec. 4.

Pte. T. Oliphant, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 580 and posted to Co. "B" Sec. 4.

Pte. A. Stevenson, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 581 and posted to Co. "A" Sec. 1.

Pte. J. R. Capell, having joined, is allotted Corps No. 582 and posted to Co. "A" Sec. 3.

Resignation.

Pte. H. P. Thomas Co. "B" Sec. 3 is permitted to resign, having left the Colony.

Transfer.

Pte. A. Smith, Co. "C" Sec. 2 is transferred to H.K.V.C. Engineer Section.

Pte. J. D. Polley, Co. "O" Section 2, is transferred to H.K.V.C. Engineer Section.

Orderly Sergeant from the morning of the 15th instant to the morning of the 21st instant:—Sergeant J. G. Mackay.

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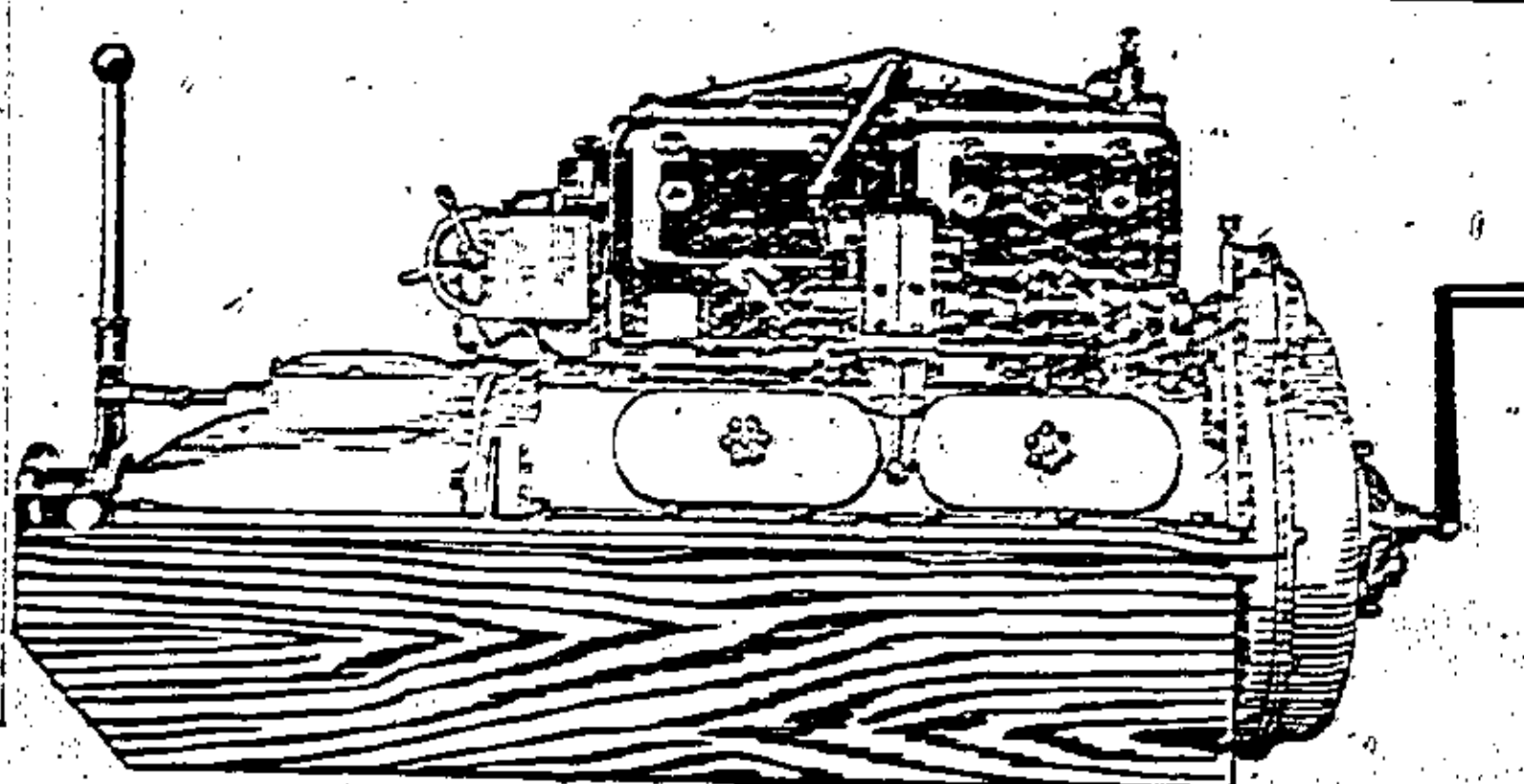
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OFFICIAL MARKET PRICES

Hongkong, March 12, 1915

BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef Sirloin—Mai Lung Pa	lb.	19
" Prime Cut	"	21
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	"	19
" Roast—Shin	"	19
" Breast—Ngau Lam	"	17
" Soup—Tung Yuk	"	15
" Steak—Ngau Yak Pa	"	20
" do—Sirloin—Ngau Lau	"	30
" Sausages—Ngau Cheung	"	24
Bullock's Brains—No Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li	each	50
" Tongue, fresh—Ham Ngau Li	"	60
" Head—Ngau Tau	"	\$1.00
" Heart—Ngau Sam	"	14
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	"	20
" Feet—Ngau Kap	"	11
" Kidneys—Ngau Yim	"	11
" Tail—Ngau Mei	"	18
" Liver—Ngau Kon	"	13
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	"	6
Calves' Head & Feet—Ngau tau tau	set	\$1.08
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pui Kwat	"	25
" Leg—Yeung Pui	"	25
" Shoulder—Yeung Shan	"	24
" Saddle	"	27
Pigs Chittlings—Chin Chong	"	27
" Brains—Chin No	"	24
" Feet—Chu Kask	"	13
" Fry—Chu Chap	"	15
" Head—Chu Tau	"	16
" Heart—Chu Sam	"	11
" Kidneys—Chu Yiu	"	18
" Liver—Chu Kon	"	13
Pork Chop—Chin Pui Kwat	"	24
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	"	28
" Leg—Chu Pui	"	28
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	"	26
Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Kank	set	60
" Heart—Yeung Sam	"	8
" Kidneys—Yeung Yim	"	12
" Liver—Yeung Kon	"	12
Sucking Pigs to order—Chu Tsai	"	22
" Suet, Beef—Shang Ny a Yau	"	20
" Mutton—Shang Yeung Yau	"	26
" Veal—Ngau Tsai Yuk	"	19
" Sausages—Ngau Tsai Cheung	"	26
" Lard—Chu Yau	"	20

POULTRY:

Chicken—Kai Tsai	lb.	35
Capon, Large, Small—Sin Kai	"	34
Ducks—Ap	"	32
Doves—Pan Kan	"	18
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz	30
" (fresh)	"	36
Fowls, Canton—Kai	"	42
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	"	30
Geese—Ngo	"	24
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	"	28
" Hoihow—Hoi How Pak Kap	"	25
Snipe—She Tsui	"	22
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung	"	60
" Hen—Na	"	45
Pheasant—Shan Kai	"	75
Quail—Om Chun	"	25
Partridges—Che Ku	"	65

FISH

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb.	18
Bream—Pin Yu	"	18
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	"	15
Carp—Li Yu	"	20
Catfish—Chik Yu	"	12
Codfish—Mun Yu	"	14
Crabs—Hoi	"	28
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	"	18
Deb—Sha Mang Yu	"	12
Dace—Wong Mei Lap	"	13
Dog Fish—Tut To Sha	"	10
Eels, Conger—Hoi Man	"	13
" Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu	"	18
Fels, Yellow—Wong Sin	"	32
Frogs—Tin Kai	"	33
Grouper—Shak Pan	"	46
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	"	18
Herrings—Tao Pak	"	20
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap	"	20
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	"	18
Loach—Wu Yu	"	13
Lobsters—Lung Ha	"	28
Mackerel—Chi Yu	"	20
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	"	32
Mullet—Chai Yu	"	16
Oysters—Shang Ho	"	22
Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	"	12
Perch—Tau Lo	"	13
Pike—Fa Pen Fong	"	16
Plaice—Pan Yu	"	15
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	"	26
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	"	28
Prawns—Ming Ha	"	38
Ray—Pai Fa Sha	"	10
Rock Fish—Shak Kiu Kung	"	15
Roach—Chun Yu	"	12
Shark—Sha Yu	"	30
Sprat—Po Yu	"	8
Shrimps—Ha	"	25
Snapper—Lap Yu	"	28
Soles—Tat Sha Yu	"	26
Tench—Wan Yu	"	18
Turbot—Cho How Yu	"	18
Turkey small, fresh water—Kau Yu	"	60

FRUITS

Almonds—Wang Yan	lb.	35
Apples (California)	"	15
" (Hawaii)—Lau Chuan Ping Khe	"	15

肉食

Bananas, fragrant, Canton—San Shing Heng China lb.	3
" (Lucas), Macao—San Heng Chio	3
Chestnuts, Chinese—Fong Lut	1
Carambola—Yeung To	12
Coconuts—Ye To	12
Grapes—Po Tai Tin	12
Lemons, China—Ling Mung	8
" America—Kam Shan Ling Mung	10
Licenses Dried—Lai Chi, small Stone	12
" Fresh	12
Oranges, (Canton)—Shan-shang Tim Ching	5
" Sweet	8
Pears, (American), Kam San Shoo Lay	18
" (Canton), Coo Kwa—Sha Li	18
Peanuts—Fa Shang	10
Plantain—Tai Chin	10
Plums—Swatow, Hung Lai	14
Pumelo; Siam—Chim Lo Yau	14
" Shanghai—Lo Kwat	14
Walnuts—Hop To	15
" Green—Sang Hop To	15
Water Melon—(Am.) Kam San Sai Kwa	15

VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb.	8
" Cheuk	"	8
Beans, (French), Macao—Oh Moou Pin Tan	"	8
" (French) Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Pin	"	8
" Sprout—Ah Choi	"	8
" Long—Tung Kok	"	10
Beet Root—Hung Chai Tan	"	6
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa	"	6
Brimjal, Green—Ching Yuen Kwa	"	6
" Red—Hung Ke	"	8
Cabbage, Chinese, (common)—Kai Tsai	"	10
Cabbage, Shanghai—Ye Tsai	"	14
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kam Shun	"	8
Cerote, Kam Shun	"	8
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Tsai	"	8
Chillies Dried—Kam Lap Chin	"	25
" Red—Hung Fa Chin	"	10
" Green—Ching Lap Chin	"	8
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Li Chin Liu	"	10
Cucumbers—Ching Kwa	"	2
Garlic—Sun Tau	"	8
Ginger, young—Sun Tse Keung	"	6
" old—Lo Keung	"	9
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan	"	12
Indian Corn—Suk Mai	"	1
Lotus, Young Shang Tsai	"	1
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai	"	8
Mandarin—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	"	35
Mushrooms, Fresh—Shang Cho Ko	"	35
Musk Melon, Amer.—Kam San Hong Kwa	"	1
Okroes	"	1
Onions Bombay—Yeung Chong Tan	"	8
" Green—Shang Chong	"	8
" Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Chong Tan	"	7
Parley—Kun Tsai	"	12
Peas, Green—Ching Tan	"	12
Peas, Sweet—Fan Shu	"	3
" Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Shu Tsai	"	1
" Japan—Yut Pan Shu Tsai	"	3
" American—Fa Ki Shu Tsai	"	8
" Foochow—Foo-chow Shu Tsai	"	1
Pumpkin—Tong Kwa	"	2
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	"	5
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	"	1
Sage—Tse So	"	1
Shallots—Kun Chung Tan	"	8
Spinach—Yin Tsai	"	5
Tomatoes—Fan Ke	"	6
Taro—Wu Tsu	"	6
Turnips—Punti, (Long)—Lo Pak	"	4
" English—Yeung Lo Pak	"	1
Vegetable Marrow—Chit wa	"	4
" (American)—Kam San Chit wa	"	12
Water Cress—Sai Yeung Tsai	"	6
" Lily root—Lin Ngau	"	8
Yams—Ta Shu	"	1
" English—Yeung Kan Choi	"	1

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NOTICE

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd. on Tuesday 1st February, 1916, at 12.15 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1915.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 20th January to TUESDAY 1st February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. BRUCE SHEPHERD,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1916.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Twenty-eighth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd. on Tuesday 1st February, 1916 at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1915. The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Thursday 20th January to Tuesday 1st February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHOE,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1916.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-EIGHTH MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Company, Limited, on TUESDAY, 1st February, 1916 at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 20th January to TUESDAY 1st February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHOE,
Acting Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Limited.
General Agents for the West Point Building Co., Limited.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1916.

THE HONG KONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED.

Seven hundred and fifty thousand Dollars \$6 per centum Debenture Loan.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above named Company are about to pay off 200 Debentures of the Company.

The Debentures to be paid off will be decided by drawing; such drawing will take place at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday the 22nd day of January 1916 at 11.00 o'clock in the forenoon. Holders of debentures are invited to attend the drawing. Due Notice of the Debentures intended to be paid off will be given after the drawing in accordance with condition No. 2 endorsed on such debentures.

Dated this 13th day of January 1916.
By order of the Directors,
J. H. TAGGART,
Acting Secretary.

THE ALEXANDRA CAFE
Cannot be beaten if you would like to eat, drink, and be merry and meet with Wines & Liquors.

NOTICE

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Company, Limited, on Tuesday, 1st February, 1916, at 11.45 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1915.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 20th January to TUESDAY 1st February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
The Hongkong Central Estate, Ltd.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHOE,
Acting Secretary to the General Manager.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1916.

NOTICES

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

On and after the 1st of March 1916, the present Light at Cape Collinson will be replaced by 5th Order Axial Light of the following Character—Flashing on second light followed by 5 seconds darkness making in all 10 flashes per minute.

This light shows bright to Eastward from N.N.W. to S.E. and red to Westward. Vessels are warned to keep in bright sector.

C. W. BECKWITH,
Commander, R. N.,
Harbour Master, &c.
Harbour Department,
Hongkong, 8th January, 1916.

NOTICE

The businesses of Architects and Civil Engineers carried on by COLBOURNE LITTLE in Hongkong and by T. R. J. ADAMS and MARSHALL WOOD, (under the style of THOMAS, ADAMS and WOOD) in Canton have amalgamated as from this date and will henceforth be conducted by the undersigned.

The new firm name will be LITTLE, ADAMS and WOOD and the business of the firm will be carried on at their offices in Hongkong and Canton as heretofore. COLBOURNE LITTLE, F.R.I.B.A., F.R.I.A.M.S.E., MARSHALL WOOD, A.R.I.B.A. January, 1st 1916.

NOTICE

I have this day established myself under the style and firm name of JOHN WILKIE & CO. Importers, Exporters and Commission Agents and will carry on business at Hotel Mansions, 1st floor, and at Missions' Building, Canton.

JOHN WILKIE,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1916.

NOTICE

We have this day authorized Mr. P. W. A. WILKIE to sign our firm pro curation.

JOHN WILKIE & CO.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1916.

LIST OF PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per N.Y.K. steamer Yasaka Maru. From London December 4 (transhipped to other steamers). To Shanghai: Miss N. Durbec, Mrs. F. Wells-Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Seth and infant, Mr. R. Macfarlane, Miss C. Featherstone, Miss Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Alty and infant. To Hongkong: Mr. L. Lee's, Mrs. V. J. Tartarin and 5 children, Miss V. Tartarin, Miss H. Tartarin, Mr. and Mrs. Miss L. Lagovic, Mrs. Bishop. Per P. and O. steamer Karmala. From London December 11. To Shanghai: Miss G. Whittall, Mr. and Mrs. Radford. Per P. and O. steamer Moldavia. From London November 27. To Shanghai: Mr. and Mrs. Spreckley, Miss Clark, Miss Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Berry, Miss Martin, Mr. N. C. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Beal, Mrs. Devonish-Meares. To Hongkong: Rev. S. N. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Aires and 4 children, Mr. W. Barbour, Mrs. Lachlan, child and amah. Per N.Y.K. s.s. Aisuta Maru. From London November 20. To Shanghai: Mr. S. M. Gubbay, Miss A. Fairley, Mrs. Liddell and To Hongkong: Mr. G. Worby, Mr. and Mrs. Findley Smith, Mr. H. E. Spencer-Payne, Mr. Jas. Spiers, Mr. O. Hughes, Mr. H. Sobier.

RUBBER SHARE REPORT.

STERLING SHARES.

(PRICES BY MAIL FROM SINGAPORE DATED DECEMBER, 31, 1915.)

Num.	Value.	Buyers.	Sellers.
2- Allagar	1/8	1/11	
1- Anglo-Java	11/6	15/6	
2- Anglo-Malay	10/-	11/8	
1- Ayer Kuning	12/-	14/8	
2- Batang Malaka	1/6	1/9	
1- Batu Gaves	220/-	230/-	nom
1- Batu Tiga	47/6	55/-	
2- Bekoh	1/10	2/11	
1- Bukit Kajang	35/-	40/-	
2- Bukit Mertajam	2/6	2/10	
1- Bukit Rajah	100/-	110/-	
2- Bukit Selangor	1/-	1/8	
2- Bukit Sembawang	2/-	2/4	
1- Castlefield	65/-	75/-	
2- Chersonese	3/-	3/6	
2- Chimul 1/6 pd.	14/6	15/3	
2- Cicely Ord.	14/9	15/6	
2- Consol. Malay	8/-	9/6	
1- Damansara	57/6	62/6	
1- Dennistown	22/-	23/-	
1- Duff	3/6	4/-	
2- Edinburgh	6/3	7/-	
2- Galang Besar	1/9	2/6	
1- Golconda	43/9	51/3	
1- Haioep	6/-	8/-	
2- Heawood	2/-	2/6	
1- Highlands & Llands	40/-	45/-	
2- Jasin	1/-	1/4	
2- Kamuning	2/1	2/9	
1- Kapar Para	80/-	90/-	
1- Keptigalea	12/6	15/-	
2- Komboh	2/1	2/5	
2- Kota Tinggi	1/7	1/10	
1- Kuala Lumpur	70/-	80/-	
2- Labu (F.M.S.)	4/9	5/6	
1- Lanadron	35/-	40/-	
1- Langen	27/6	32/5	
1- Ledbury	35/-	38/-	
2- Linggi Ori	18/6	19/6	
2- London Asiatic	5/6	6/9	
1- Lumut	30/-	33/-	
1- Malacca 7 1/2 % Pref.	72/6	80/-	
1- " " " " " "	73/-	82/6	
1- " " " " " "	21/-	25/-	
2- Malayan	3/9	4/3	
1- Merliman	18/-	21/-	
1- Mount Austin	18/-	19/-	
1- Nordanal	1/9	2/-	
2- Padang Jawa	29/-	31/9	
2- Pataling	33/6	37/6	
1- Pegoh	3/9	4/9	
2- Perak	16/6	19/3	
1- Permas	1/3	1/6	
2- P. Dickson Lukut f.p.	18/-	21/-	
1- Rumbia Pref.	18/-	18/-	
1- Rumbia Ord.	1/9	2/2	
2- R. Est of Krian	12/-	13/9	
1- R. Invest Trust 17 1/2 % pd	70/-	77/6	
1- Seafeld	19/-	22/-	
2- Selangor	21/-	25/-	
1- Sendayan	15/-	18/9	
1- Seremban	42/6	45/-	
1- Sialang	1/9	2/3	
2- Singapore Para	1/8	2/-	
2- Singapore United	3/6	4/-	
2- Straits S. Bortan	6/-	6/9	
2- Sumatra Para	40/-	45/-	
1- Sungai Choh	7/3	8/3	
2- Sungai Kapar	35/-	40/-	
1- Sungai Krian Pref.	37/6	42/6	
1- Tebran	9/-	9/9	
2- United Serdang	20/-	25/-	
1- United Sua Betong	4/6	5/6	
2- United Sumatra	1/5	1/9	
2- United Temiang	1/4	1/9	
2- Val dor	15/6	17/6	
2- Vallambrosa	4/-	5/-	
2- Yam Seng			

DOLLAR SHARES.

1 Alor Gajah	2/80	2/70
10 Ayer Hitam	22.50	25.00
1 Ayer Kuning	1.00	1.10
1 Ayer Molek	2.00	2.20
5 Ayer Panas	9.00	9.2
1 Balgownie	5.00	5.50
10 Brkt Timah	11.00	12.50
1 Bukit K.B.	0.77 1/2	0.90
1 Bukit K.B.	0.73 1/2	0.90
1 Bukit Jelotong	0.60	0.73
5 Changkat Serdang	8.00	8.75
1 Glenealy	1.15	1.40
3 Haytor	7.00	8.0
10 Indragiri	8.00	9.00
1 Jeram Kuantan	1.17 1/2	1.25
1 Jimsh	0.80	0.80
5 Kelemak	4.00	4.25
2 Kempas	4.50	5.00
3 Lunas	3.90	4.10
1 Malaka Pinda	2.00	2.35
2 Malakoff	3.75	4.20
1 Mandai Tekong	0.65	0.80
5 Merqui	2.70	3.00
2 New Se'endah	2.50	2.80
3 Nyalas	4.40	4.60
5 Paj m	16.00	16.50
1 Pantai	1.20	1.30
10 Pulau Bulang \$8.50 pd	\$5.75	\$5.25 dis
1 Punggor	0.60	0.80
1 Radella	9.00	10.00
2 Sandycroft	8.50	9.00
1 Sembong	0.17 1/2	0.25
1 Sungai Bagan	1.60	1.85
1 Tambalak	0.80	0.92 1/2
10 Tapah	14.50	15.50
5 Teluk Anson	7.25	7.75
2 Trafalgar	4.50	1.00
1 Ulu Pandan	0.5 1/2	0.60
1 United Malacca	3.05	3.20

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NOTICE

THE CHINESE TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION.

WIRELESS SERVICE.

NOTICE is hereby given to all parties concerned that the Administration's new WIRELESS TELEGRAPH STATION at FOCHOOW was opened for general public correspondence with ships at sea and from the 1st of January, 1916.

With regard to the handling of radiotelegrams the station is governed by the Rules of the International Radiotelegraphic Convention of 1912 and the Service Regulations appertaining thereto.

The rates applicable to wireless messages may be obtained on application to the Telegraph Office.

The entire charge for wireless messages must be collected from the Senders.

For the convenience of Ship Stations the following information is supplied:—

Names: Fochoow
Nationality: Chinese
Geographical position: Longitude 119° 18' E. Latitude 25° 7' N.
Call Signal: XOW
Normal Range in 550 by day; Nautical miles: 1,300 by night.
Radiotelegraphic "Telefunken" System used with singing quenchature of trans. ched spark emitting system: 5 K. W. in the antenna.
Wave-lengths in metres: 600, 1200, 1600, 2100.

Nature of Service: Public radiotelegraphic service with Ship Stations and other Coast Stations in China.

Working hours (China 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. East of Greenwich): Coast Charges: per word Frs. 0.50.

N. B.—The promptest attention to call is ensured by the ships using a sending wave-length of 600 metres.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

All Shareholders who have taken up and paid for the New Shares offered to them can obtain the Certificates therefor on application at Company's Office in Hongkong on and after the 13th instant.

By Order
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. The General Meeting of the Company which was adjourned on the 13th day of December last, will be continued on Monday the 17th day of January 1916 at 12 o'clock noon at the offices of the Company in Hongkong when the Resolution for the adoption of New Articles will be proceeded with.

Dated the 6th January 1916.
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

Shareholders desirous of making inquiries in respect of the debenture issue should apply to the Company's office in Hongkong. All applications for debentures must be sent in before the 23rd February 1916.

Forms may be had on application.

R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

NOTICE.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

Provided that sufficient entries a forthcoming the British S.C. n of the Kowloon Canton Rail ay have kindly offered to present a Cup for a Ladies Singles match play competition under handicap to be played over the Fan Ling course on days other than Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays.

Entries should be sent in writing to the undersigned and will be received up to the 15th inst.

T. W. HILL,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

NOTICES.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

Our Bread is made from the Best Quality Flour only and can be obtained and orders taken at AH WEI'S DAIRY, 31, Peking Road, ON LEE, Compradore, Haiphong Road, HUNG CHENG, Compradore, Haiphong Road, KWONG FOOK, Compradore, Haiphong Road, KWONG YUEN MOW, Compradore, Haiphong Road, LIM KEE, Compradore, Macao.

Orders may be left with the above for any of our products. We put up absolutely the Best, Tiffins and Dinners—a new Menu for Each Meal. Price one Dollar Each or 30 Meals for \$20.00; good for any meal or 1/2 a Carte up to 75 Cents.

We Guarantee every thing put up and Sold by the Alexandra Cafe to be of first Class Quality. Try our own make Pork Sausages and Pork Pies. Pure Java Coffee Roasted and Ground Daily and put up in 1 lb. Tins at 75 Cents. We give you a Splendid Cup of Lipton's Tea. Minerals and soft drinks of every description. Just give us a Trial and you will be more than Satisfied.

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R. J. HOWARD, Sole Proprietor.

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SHEWAN TOMES & CO., General Managers.

North British & Mercantile Insurance Company.
in which are vested the shares of THE OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE CO., LTD.
and THE RAILWAY PASSENGERS ASSURANCE COMPANY.
(TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER 1914) £23,970,367
1- Authorized Capital £5,000,000
Subscribed Capital £4,500,000

Paid-up Capital £2,437,500
II—Fire Funds £2,872,047
III—Life and Annuity Funds £12,671,190
Sinking Fund Account £12,230

Revenue Fire Branch £2,381,516
Life and Annuity £2,141,593
Marine Department £37,239
Other Receipts £78,940

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The Accumulative Funds of the various Branches are separately invested and by Act of Parliament are set aside to meet the claims under the respective Departments of the Company's business.

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COMMERCIAL.

Hilo Sugar Report.
The report of Messrs. Figueroa Hermoso, Hilo, shows that during the month of December 155,000 pounds of sugar were received at Hilo.

Bank of Rangoon, Limited.
The net profits of the Bank of Rangoon, Ltd., for the twelve months ended the 30th November, 1915, inclusive of Rs. 70,863-0-1 brought forward from the previous year, amount to Rs. 1,78,853-10-9. For the half-year ended 31st May, 1915, an interim dividend at the rate of five per cent. per annum was paid absorbing Rs. 40,000, leaving available for distribution the sum of Rs. 1,38,853-10-9; and subject to the usual audit, which is being conducted by Messrs. Craig, Gardner and Harris, the Directors will recommend the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting to declare a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum free of income tax, for the half-year ended 30th November, 1915, to apply Rs. 20,000 to House property account, and to carry forward to the next half-year the balance of profit Rs. 78,853-10-9. The amount carried forward at the corresponding period last year was Rs. 70,863.

Electrical Enterprises in Japan.
One of the most striking industrial developments in Japan of recent years is the expansion of electrical enterprises. The Nagasaki Electric Lighting and Gas Company obtains 700 kilowatts of power from the Kyushu Electric Lighting and Railway Company (Fukuoka), whose power stations include a hydraulic plant on the Kawa-kami-gawa, near Saga. The latter works are being extended, says the *Nagasaki Press*, additional machinery being ordered from abroad, and when the alterations are complete, in March next, the generating power will be increased to 6,000 kilowatts. The supply to Nagasaki will then be brought up to 1,000 kilowatts. The Nagasaki Company has two generating stations, one at Aburatsubo with a capacity of 515 kilowatts and a new one at Issa with a capacity of 2,000 kilowatts. In addition to the power employed for lighting, the Company supplies 600 kilowatts to the Canton Spinning Company, from 80 to 100 kilowatts to the electric tramway, and 120 kilowatts to other industrial works.

Anglo-Persian Oil.
Public interest in the operations of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company has been heightened by recent happenings in Persia, and by the knowledge that the British Government has a large financial stake in the undertaking, says the *Globe* of December 7. For the year ended March 31 last, the profit amounts to £20,431, and after deducting the debit balance of £26,711 brought down, the available sum is £63,720. This, with the exception of £7,878, which is carried forward, is absorbed by payment of the dividend on the Six per Cent. Preference shares. Early in February last, local Persian tribesmen damaged a small portion of the company's pipeline which rendered the transport of oil impracticable for about four and a half months, and necessitated a suspension of refining operations. The Turkish Government before the outbreak of hostilities with that country requisitioned oil and other property of the company to the value of £51,004. Claims will be made against both the Persian and Turkish Governments. The various extensions for which capital has been provided by the British Government are, it is stated, being proceeded with as expeditiously as possible, but the unsettled conditions prevailing have hindered operations. Existing wells are producing satisfactorily, and new fields are being tested by drilling.

Dr. F.W. Foxworthy.
Dr. F.W. Foxworthy, the eminent botanist and wood technologist of the Philippine Forestry Bureau, arrived in Sanakan by the *W. Massing* from Hongkong on December 4th. He will spend some months in Borneo during which time he will be engaged in classifying the various timbers of that country.

SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

STOCK	To-day's Closing Price	Number of Shares	Par Value	1914 Highest	1914 Lowest	1915 Highest	1915 Lowest	Last Dividend and Date
Banks.								
H'kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	125 1/2	120,000	\$125	all	855 July	700 Oct.	845 x div. 790 c. div.	22 3/4 at 1/9 5/16 equal to \$24.21 for 1/2 year 30/6/15
Marine Insurance.								
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	415	10,000	\$250	30	350 Dec.	305 Oct.	425	360 Final of \$4 a/c 1913. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914.
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	182 1/4	10,000	\$15	25	145 May	133 Jan.	180	160 Final of 1914 p.a. making 25 p.a. for 1914.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	391 1/2	12,400	\$250	100	847 1/2 April	700 Oct.	397 1/2	385 1/2 Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1913 and Interim of \$30 for 1914.
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Ltd.	265	12,000	\$100	60	210 April	192 1/2 Jan.	270	225 Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1913 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Fire Insurance.								
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	152 1/2	20,000	\$100	20	160 July	140 Oct.	165	130 \$9 for 1913
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	410	3,000	\$250	30	395 Feb.	365 April	420	385 \$27 for 1913
Shipping.								
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	1113	20,000	\$50	all	36 Mar.	27 1/2 Nov.	114	45 \$4 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	204 1/4	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/4 Jan.	22 Dec.	23	19 Final of 40 cts. making 90 cts. for year ending 31.12.14
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.	1181 1/2	60,000	\$25	all	79 Jan.	50 Sept.	178	96 p.a. on p.a. & 3 p.a. on d.a. for year 1914 a total of 9 p.a. in H.K. from 24.12.13 an interim div. of 6 p.a. on the combined a/c paid in London 23.12.15 quoted ex div. in H.K. 1.12.15
Shell T'port & Trading Co., Ltd.	87 1/2	3,797,610	\$1	all	106 1/2 Feb.	70 1/2 Sept.	90 1/2 x div.	82 1/2 x div. Interim of 2 1/2 (Coupon No. 25) making 7 1/2 for 1915
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	37	40,000	\$10	all	48 Mar.	40 Nov.	39	33 \$1.50 per share and bonus of 40 cents per share for year ending 30.4.15
Refineries.								
China S. Refining Co., Ltd.	130	20,000	\$100	all	96 Feb.	70 Nov.	134	111 \$3 for 1913
Luxon S. Refining Co., Ltd.	37	7,000	\$100	all	31 Jan.	17 Dec.	45	27 1/2 \$3 for 1897
Mining.								
Kailan Mining Admin'n.	30 1/2	600,000	\$1	all	41 1/2 Feb.	33 1/2 Dec.	33 1/2	30 1/2 Interim of 1/- account year ending 30.6.15 (Coupon No. 5.)
Ramb. Australian Gold Min'g Co., Ltd.	335	200,000	\$1	all	310 Jan.	190 Nov.	4	31 1/2 1/2 for 1909
Tromch Mines Ltd.	27 1/2	160,000	\$1	all	39 1/2 Feb.	19 1/2 Nov.	32 1/2	25 1/2 b. 1/- interim a/c 1915 paid 12.7.15
Ural Caspian	39 1/2	786,666	\$1	all	56 1/2	21 1/2	41	37 1/2 1/- interim 1915
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.								
H'kong & K.W. & G. Co., Ltd.	77	20,000	\$50	all	89 Jan.	73 Nov.	81 1/2	68 \$3.50 for year 1914
H.K. & W.D. Co., Ltd.	82 1/2	20,000	\$50	all	77 Jan.	53 Oct.	88 1/2	57 \$3 dividend for year 1914
S'hai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	60	35,700	\$100	all	60 July	50 Dec.	63 1/2	49 ex div. Tls. 3 for year ending 30.4.15
S'hai & H'kw W. Co., Ltd.	92 1/2	35,000	\$100	all	169 Jan.	82 1/2 Dec.	92 1/2	80 Tls. 5 for 1914
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.								
Anglo French Lands	194	13,000	\$100	all	28 July	120 Dec.	116	112 Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 29.2.14
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	108	20,000	\$50	50	28 July	120 Dec.	116	112 \$2.50 for half year ending 30.6.15
H'kong Land Investment Co.	104	20,000	\$100	all	1 1/2 July	88 Nov.	111 x div.	108 \$3 for year ending 30.6.15
H'phreys Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	65.80	150,000	\$10	all	6 1/2 Jan.	7 Nov.	7 1/2	6.10 45 cents for year 1914
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	40	6,000	\$50	30	48 1/2 Jan.	4 Feb.	40	40 \$3 for 1914
Shanghai Lands	1107	75,000	\$50	all	58 Dec.	89 Oct.	106	101 Dividend of 6 p.a. for 1 year ending 30.6.15
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	381	12,000	\$50	all	73 June	66 Feb.	81	70 \$2 for half year ending 30.6.15
H'kong Central Estates	103	10,000	\$100	all	73 June	66 Feb.	81	70 \$4.09 for 7 months ending 31.12.14
Cotton Mills.								
Swo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	150	20,000	\$50	all	118 July	125 May	180	133 Tls. 26 for year ending 31.7.15
Kung Yik	115	75,000	\$10	all	14 1/2 Jan.	11 Mar.	17	13 1/2 Tls. 1.10 for year ending 30.11.14
Laon Kung Mow	71	8,000	\$100	all	0 Feb.	70 May	69	80 Tls. 12 for 1913
Shanghai Cottons	192	40,000	\$50	all	35 Feb.	70 Nov.	103	80 Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15
Miscellaneous.								
Yangtze Poots	15	175,000	\$5	all	12 May	10 Dec.	10	10 85 cents for 1914
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	104 1/4	10,000	\$12	all	420 July	4 April	44	44 6% for year ending 28.2.06
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	84.80	30,000	\$5	all	9 Jan.	7 Nov.	10.10	8.00 70 cts. for 1914
Do. (Spec. shares)		155,000	\$10	all	29 June	35 Aug.	34	31 1/2 \$1.25 for year ending 31.7.15
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	10	40,000	\$10	all	6 Jan.	5 Dec.	11	6.70 50 cts. for 1914
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	329	400,000	\$10	all	6.50 Jan.	5 Dec.	45	39 \$2.00 per share for 1914
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	10.20	60,000	\$10	all	49 Jan.	36 Nov.	45	39 Interim of \$2 account 1915
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	42 1/2	60,000	\$25	all	21 1/2 July	174 Dec.	190	184 Interim for 1 year ending 30.6.15
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	190	6,000	\$25	all	25 June	22 Apr.	43 1/2	25 \$10 % for 1914
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	31	35,000	\$10	all	3 1/2 July	7 Feb.	5.50	4.80 Interim of Tls. 1 making Tls. 2 a/c 1913
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	137 1/2	250,000	\$10	all	64 1/2 Mar.	28 Dec.	42	36 1/2 70 cts. on fully paid shares and 7 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.15
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	10	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2 Jan.	9 1/2 June	10	9 80 cts.
Do (New) 85 cts.		50,000	\$10	all	93 cts. Jan.	75 cts. Dec.	81	80 cts.
Philippines Ld.	5	75,000	\$10	all	10	5	5	5 None \$1.50 for 1910
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	84	12,000	\$10	all	10	5	5	5 None
Societe des Pulpes et Papier	30	13,200	\$50	all	5.00 June	4 Nov.	3 1/2	3.20 25 cts. for year ending 31.5.15
teries du Tonkin		20,000	\$50	all	17 Jan.	17 Jan.	18	16 \$1.00, per share for year ending 31.12.14
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	43 1/2	27,723	\$10	all	8 1/2 April	6.90 Dec.	6.90 x div.	6 1/2 x div. 60 cts. for 1914
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	31	90,000	\$10	all	8 1/2 April	6.90 Dec.	6.90 x div.	6 1/2 x div. 60 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 30.6.14
Watson and Co., Ltd.	36.85	21,000	\$7	all	9 1/2 Jan.	6 1/2 Dec.	7	5 1/2 \$1.50 for 1914
William Powell, Limited.	35 1/2	6,000	\$25	all	30 June	92 Dec.	29	29
S. C. Morning Post	29							

LATEST RUBBER QUOTATIONS.

Anglo-Java Estates Ltd. Tls. 17 1/2 buyers.	Ayer Panas (Straits) \$9.00 buy-ers.	Kempas (Straits) \$5 buyers.	Sandycrofts (Straits) \$9.00 buyers.
Anglo Dutch Tls. 8 buyers.	Balgownie (Straits) \$6 buy-ers.	Malaka Pindas (Straits) \$2 1/4 buyers.	Pajam (Straits) \$16 1/2 buyers.
Linggis \$1	Changkat Serdangs (Straits) \$8 1/2 buyers.	Malakoffs (Straits) \$4 1/2 buyers.	New Serendah \$2.75 buyers.
Romanas 19/- buyers.			

WRIGHT & HORNEY.

Share and General Brokers

6, Des Vaux Road Central Tel. address, Rectitude.

CONNECTED TO 1000, JAN. 14, 1916.
ANY SUBSEQUENT ALTERATIONS WILL BE FOUND IN "UP TO THE MINUTE SHARE MARKET NEWS."
THE TELEGRAPH DOES NOT HOLD ITSELF RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE QUOTATIONS.

EXCHANGE.

Jan. 14th.

T/T Selling.	T/T Bombay	On Haiphong	Gold Leaf per oz.
1/11 1/4	144 1/2	3 1/2 prem.	\$58.40
1/11 5/16	T/T Calcutta	On Saigon	Sovereign
1/11 3/8	144 1/2	79 1/2	\$10.30 nom.
1/11 1/2	Demand Calcutta	On Bangkok	Bar Silver ready
1/11 9/16	22 3/4	Buying.	forward
T/T Shanghai	T/T San F co & N.Y. 46	4 m's L/C	
Private 30 d/s sight	Demand, New York 46 1/8	4 m's D/P	2 1/8
T/T Singapore	T/T Java	6 m's L/C	2 1/4
32 1/2	104 1/2	30 d/s San F co & N.Y. 47 1/2	2 1/4
T/T Japan	T/T Manila	4 m's Marks	Nom.
9 1/2	Demand Germany	4 m's Marks	2.80
T/T India	T/T France	6 m's Marks	2.85
144 1/2	Demand Paris		
Demand India			

BANKS.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION

HEAD OFFICE:
60, Wall Street, New York
LONDON OFFICE:
36, Bishopsgate, E.C.

BRANCHES:
ROMBAY, LONDON,
CALCUTTA, MANILA,
CANTON, PANAMA,
CEBU, PEKING,
COLON, SAN FRANCISCO,
HONGKOW, SHANGHAI,
HONGKONG, SINGAPORE,
KOBE, YOKOHAMA

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$3,500,000
RESERVE FUNDS \$2,100,000
(U.S. Gold) \$7,460,000

ALL KINDS OF FOREIGN & LOCAL BANKING BUSINESS transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received at rates to be ascertained on application.

N.S. MARSHALL, Manager.
Hongkong, 1st July 1915

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Established 1880.
Authorized Capital Yen 48,000,000
Paid-up Capital " 30,000,000
Reserve Fund " 20,000,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches:
Amoy, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Manila, Peking, Shanghai, Singapore, Szechwan, Tientsin, Yokohama.
Agencies at:
Batavia, Canton, Cebu, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Manila, Peking, Shanghai, Singapore, Szechwan, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Interest Allowed on Current Account.
Deposits received for fixed periods from 1 month to 12 months on application.

EISEI ONO, Manager.
Hongkong, 21st October, 1915.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE.—LONDON.
Paid-up Capital £1,200,000
Reserve Fund £1,800,000
Proprietors £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.
Wm. DICKSON, Manager.
For Hongkong, 11th April, 1912.

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.
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SPECIAL CASES.
By Arrangement at the Company's Office.
The Year's Road Contract.
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SUBSIDIARY COINS.
Discount per \$100:
Chinese 20 cts. pieces \$18.1/4
Chinese 10 " " \$17
Hongkong 20 " " pieces \$8.1/4
Hongkong 10 " " \$8.1/4

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital \$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS:
Starting \$1,500,000 at 2-
\$15,000,000
Silver \$18,000,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$15,000,000
COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Hon. Mr. D. Landale—Chairman.
W. L. Patterson, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.
S. H. Dodwell, Esq.
G. T. M. Edging Esq.
G. S. Gubbay, Esq.
P. H. Holyoak, Esq.
J. A. Plummer, Esq.
Hon. Mr. E. S. Shullim.
CHIEF MANAGER.
Hongkong—N. J. Stabb.
MANAGER.
Shanghai—A. G. Stephen.
London—Bankers—London County and Westminster Limited.

Hongkong—Interest Allowed.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
Rates may be obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option, Hongkong of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.
For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Head Office 15 Gracechurch Street, London.
Authorized Capital £1,500,000
Subscribed " 1,125,000
Paid Up " 582,500
Reserve Fund " 500,000

BANKERS:
The Bank of England.
The London Joint Stock Bank, Limited.

BRANCHES.

Bombay
Calcutta
Colon
Delhi
Galle
Hongkong
Howrah
Kandy
Karachi
Kota Bharu
Kuala Lumpur
Madras
Penang
Rangoon
Shanghai
Singapore

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Every description of Banking & Exchange business transacted.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balances, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.
C. CHAMPKIN, Acting Manager.

BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE HONGKONG

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business Transacted.

